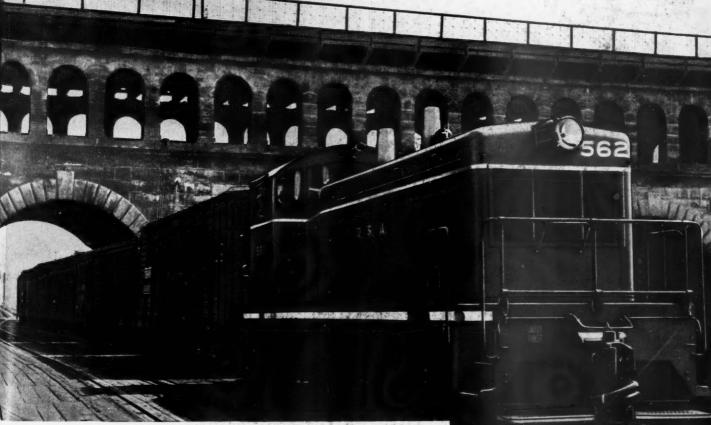
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## **WEEK AT A GLANCE**

"WAD SOME POWER THE GIFTIE GI'E US": To see ourselves as others see us is not always easy. But it's somewhat simpler in these days of questionnaires and public opinion polls than it was when Robert Burns wrote his famous lines. Our News section this week summarizes the results of two recent railroad efforts to ascertain how they are regarded by others—the ninth annual survey of public opinion conducted for the A.A.R. by Opinion Research Corporation, and a questionnaire sent by the T. & P. to its own employees.

\$60 MILLION FOR CLEANING: It's hard to believe that any industry would deliberately load plant rubbish into empty freight cars as a means of getting rid of it at railroad expense. Yet some instances of such behavior were uncovered in a special study of the car cleaning problem recently conducted by a large western railroad, and reported on page 60. This road's experience indicates that the cleaning out of debris left in freight cars may be costing the railroads as much as \$60 million a year. The problem is one of mutual concern to the railroads and to shippers—because the cost of cleaning cars is necessarily reflected in railroad rates; because "dirty" cars often lead to damaged freight, and because rubbish and debris is always a potential accident hazard.

CONSTRUCTION INDICES: At 281, the overall railroad construction index for 1948 for the country as a whole was the highest in the 34-year history of these indices, issued by the Engineering Section of the I.C.C.'s Bureau of Valuation. A comparison of the 1948 index with those for prior years is included in the article on page 69.

NEW T. & P. FREIGHT TERMINAL FOR DALLAS: Beginning on page 64 is a copiously illustrated description of the Texas & Pacific's new l.c.l. freight terminal at Dallas, Tex.

GILDING THE LILY: If there is any phase of railroading which would seem to deserve complete exemption from further legislative or regulatory harassment, that is the matter of safety. Without exception, railroad managements are—and have long been—notably safety-minded; the overall railroad safety record has improved tremendously and, on the whole, consistently, over the past quarter century. Yet Congress—and apparently the Interstate Commerce Commission, too—is in a great dither over the so-called "radio rules" bill (H.R.378-S.238), now pending before the former body. The latest discussion on this bill before a House committee (as reported in the News pages) produces the inevitable feeling that time, effort and energy are being uselessly expended to "gild the lily" of railroad safety, while much larger questions of fundamental policy—far more important to the railroads, to the long-run interests of railroad employees, and to the country—go unanswered.

GOING AFTER BUSINESS: There are many ways to build up railroad freight traffic—but one of the surest and best is to go right out after it, by providing such good developmental service for new industries that they will want to locate on-line and ship by rail. The Central of Georgia believes in that method, and has followed it with remarkable success, as is evidenced by the article which begins on page 70. The article is a companion piece to the account in last week's Railway Age about the C. of G.'s success in building up its passenger business with shortrun streamliners.

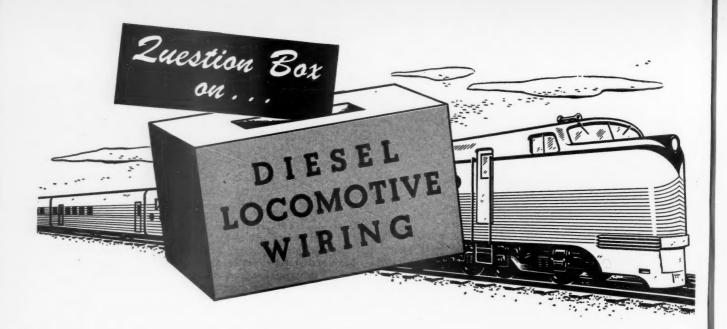
FROM TOURIST TO BAGGAGE: A short illustrated article on page 73 tells how the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville converted a 32-year-old Pullman tourist car into a baggage car.

RENAISSANCE FOR STEAM POWER? The Diesel-electric locomotive has, beyond any question, produced for the railroads major operating economies and important operating advantages. But it has also made them more dependent than ever before on liquid fuel—which might not be an unmitigated advantage in the event of another war. On page 56, Chadwell O'Connor, Pacific Coast power plant engineer, outlines some possible avenues of exploration in the further development of steam motive power.

WHOSE MONOPOLY? Like the fictional character who mounted his horse and "rode rapidly off in all directions," the Department of Justice has been making a great pretense of fighting "monopoly," by attacking alleged monopolistic policies in business and industry. And all the time the greatest monopoly of all—that of certain elements of organized labor—has grown, and grown, and grown! John L. Lewis, by his single-handed action in putting "his" coal miners on a three-day week, has brought that labor monopoly out into the open. There ought, as our leading editorial points out, to be some means of protecting the public—including railroad employees—against the willful exercise by one man of such high-handed tactics.

H. C. MURPHY: As reported in last week's Railway Age, Harry C. Murphy, vice-president (operation) of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, has been elected president of that company, to succeed Ralph Budd, when the latter retires on September 1. Mr. Murphy's 35-year railroad career is reviewed on page 72.

STILL SHOPPING AROUND: Our regular review of railroad purchasing (pages 62) shows that the buying picture for May was somewhat mixed, but that total purchases were just a little higher than in April.



- Q. Where on a diesel electric locomotive is the choice of correct wiring important?
- A. In wires to be used in generator leads and motor leads, in power jumpers and control jumpers, in lighting systems, in lines to headlights, on controllers and as cab signal wiring.
- Q. What three properties are in particular demand in wires and cables for these services?
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## WHY MONOPOLIES FOR LABOR UNIONS ALONE?

The monopolies now possessed, used and abused by such leaders of labor unions as John L. Lewis are not only a menace to the nation, but their existence is entirely contrary to what has been one of the most important traditions and principles of the American system from its inception. As Felix Morley says in his recent book, "The Power in the People," "The form of the American Republic is directed against monopoly of any kind—social, religious, political or economic."

## "Great Power Always Corrupts"

It was plainly intended by those who framed and adopted the Federal Constitution that it should prevent great concentrations of power anywhere and for any purpose. Lord Acton later expressed a view which influenced the makers of the Constitution more perhaps than any other consideration when he said, "Great power always corrupts; absolute power corrupts absolutely."

In view of the opposition to almost every form of monopoly that the American people always have shown and still show, it is an amazing paradox that they regard apparently with a feeling of goodnatured tolerance or helplessness such possession and abuse of power by leaders of labor unions as are typified by Lewis' restriction of working time in the coal mines to three days a week. The purpose and effect of Lewis' action are plain and uncontro-

verted. It is intended to restrict the production, transportation and storing of coal. This will increase the labor union's strength in bargaining with the mine operators regarding wages, working conditions, pensions and so on. It will help to maintain the prices that the mine operators can exact from consumers of coal, both industrial and domestic. To whatever extent it contributes toward maintaining the prices of coal paid by industry it will maintain costs of production in industry and the prices that industry must and will charge consumers for its products. Also, consumers will be bilked by the resulting higher prices they will have to pay for the coal they will use for the domestic purposes of keeping their homes warm and cooking their food. The railways will be injured by the loss of coal trafficand, like other consumers, by having to pay excessive prices for coal.

Theoretically, the operators of the mines by making and carrying out an agreement could cause the restriction of the production and transportation of coal and the maintenance or increase in its price that are being caused by the miners' union under Lewis' leadership and dictation. But such action by the operators would be in flagrant and criminal violation of the federal anti-trust law and would be prevented or immediately stopped by an injunction prohibiting it which would be issued by the first federal court to which the Department of Justice made application for it.

Formerly, the anti-trust law forbade all combinations, conspiracies and acts in restraint of trade or commerce. The restriction of coal mining to three days a week is as plainly, openly and defiantly in restraint of trade and commerce as any other action ever taken in the history of this country. Why, then, does not the government proceed under the antitrust law to stop it? Because, beginning with passage of the Norris-LaGuardia Act in 1932, Congress has by legislation expressly exempted labor unions from the application of the anti-trust act. This has enabled all the more important labor unions in industry and transportation to acqu're nation-wide monopolies in their field, and thereby to become by far the most powerful private organizations that ever existed in the United States. And the concentration of all the power of these organizations in the hands of their leaders has made their leaders the most powerful men in the nation, whether inside or outside of government. This is proved by the fact that nobody excepting John L. Lewis, whether inside or outside of government, could restrict production in the coal mines to three days a week.

If this power of monopoly which is now possessed by labor union leaders is not soon destroyed by government it will in due course be so used and abused as to destroy the American government and the American economy. For the labor union leaders do not use it merely for purely economic purposes. They are using it also politically and for political purposes-i.e., to control the votes of their members, and thereby to determine who shall be elected to public office and the policies of government that shall be adopted by those elected. A striking illustration is presently afforded by the way they are raising money and otherwise preparing to try to defeat Senator Taft for re-election in Ohio in 1950, because of his leadership in behalf of the Taft-Hartley Act and his opposition to most-but not all-socialistic policies.

## It Doesn't Make Sense

The monopoly power of the labor unions and their leaders probably could be destroyed by the simple expedient of passing legislation making the antitrust law as applicable to them as it is to business. And why not? Why should not everybody engaged in production or transportation be prohibited from engaging in practices intended to have and having the effect of restraining production, trade or commerce? Why should the three-fourths of the workers of the country who do not belong to labor unions prohibit themselves through their government from engaging in such practices, and at the same time through their government authorize the other onefourth to engage in such practices-especially as the one-fourth use these practices solely to dominate and exploit the three-fourths?

It simply doesn't make sense. Are all the smart

people in the labor unions and the three-fourths who are outside the unions such ignoramuses, idiots and cowards that they don't know what is going on, don't know their own selfish interest, don't know how to protect themselves, or are afraid to try to do so?

## OUR INSOLVENT HIGHWAY SYSTEM

A lot of people are worried lest the railroads become insolvent. They might put first things first and do their worrying about the insolvency of the nation's highway system against which the railroads are forced to compete. There is no compet tor so dangerous as one who is bankrupt and who is, hence, able to do business at less than cost. The Brookings Institution has issued a little book\* which, in guarded language, reveals by implication the complete insolvency of the nation's largest single transportation enterprise—that is, the publicly owned system of improved highways.

This monograph might well be subtitled, "A Case Study in Government Planning," because our free, competitive market economy has not been permitted to play any part in the development of our highways—which, instead, are wholly the resultant of pressure-group politics as reflected in the activities of an enormous bureaucracy, bountifully supplied with taxpayers' money. No one can deny that the bureaucracy has builded spectacularly and with sufficient effectiveness to give road room to 40 million vehicles. As for the fact that it has also builded wastefully and improvidently, who could have expected that government, completely freed from obedience to the law of supply and demand, would or could ever do otherwise?

A table in the Brookings book sets forth highway revenues by years from 1921 to 1948 inclusive, showing the proportion of such revenues paid by (1) highway users, (2) federal funds, and (3) other taxpayers. How these ratios have changed is significant:

	Total Highway	% Pd. by	% Federal	% Other
	Revenues	Users	Funds	Sources
1921	\$1 billion	11.7	8.0	80.3
1948	\$3 billion	61.8	12.1	26.1

Here is a mammoth aggregation of capital, used by the American people for automotive transportation, on which in 1948 they spent a total of \$30 billion, or more than one-eighth of the national income. This plant is similar in nature to the fixed property of the railroads or of the electric utility industry—but, unlike such privately owned property, the highway plant contributed nothing to general taxation;

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Automotive Transportation—Trends and Problems," by Wilfred Owen. Published by the Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C. Price, \$2.

instead, as the table indicates, it consumed \$750 million of general tax funds, not counting the contribution of the federal government.

A little figuring from the items the author sets out in this one table is pretty revealing. Three billion dollars were spent for highways in 1948, of which users paid only \$1.86 billion, leaving a deficit of \$1.14 to be paid by other taxpayers. (If it be objected that the federal contribution is offset by federal excise taxes on automotive products and fuel, then be it remembered that the federal government collects excise taxes from other transportation for which no quid pro quo is returned.) Furthermore, the huge investment in highway plant yielded no ad valorem taxes. The highway system, upon which upwards of \$50 billion has been spent since 1921 alone, must easily represent a value at least twice that of the depreciated value of railway fixed property. If this highway property were to yield taxes the way railway property is required to do, it would certainly have been looked to for \$400 million of net tax revenue, which may be added to the \$1.14 billion by which the highway system failed in 1948 to pay its way—thus bringing to a total of \$1.5 billion the deficit of the highway system in 1948 alone, when compared to transportation property in private ownership.

These calculations, it should be understood, are this paper's—not those of the author of the Brookings study. He is, on the contrary, not much worried by the failure of highway users to pay their way. What does worry him is the fact that 53 per cent of the present "highway dollar" has to be spent to maintain existing highways, leaving only 47 per cent for new construction. Meantime, new highways are not being built nearly fast enough to meet the "demand," and congestion is resulting; and will become rapidly worse unless highway revenues are increased.

The average motorist now pays only 0.4 cent per mile toward highway costs—which is 10 per cent of the pre-war cost of automobile operation and only 5 per cent of present cost. The author argues that the motorist could afford a large increase in his fees for highway use, without paying any more percentagewise than he did in 1941; and the cost of automobile operation is so much less on modern roads than on antiquated ones that the motorist would be money in pocket by paying more for using the roads, because more modern roads would save him more than enough in fuel and maintenance expenses to offset his increased payments.

As already indicated, this Brookings study does not propose to go very far toward taking highway transportation out of the realm of politics and putting it wholly under the dominion of economics, where all economic activity obviously belongs. Nevertheless, the analysis does blaze a little path in that desirable direction, which is more than any similar statement from such a responsible and independent

source has ever done before. It is, perhaps, of additional significance that, although the inquiry was undertaken with the "generous cooperation" of the staff of the Public Roads Administration and of "representatives of the various automotive industries," nevertheless toll financing—heretofore anathema to these "cooperators"—is viewed in the study with tolerance, even if with no enthusiasm.

## 40-HR. WEEK SHOULD BRING MORE SIGNALING CONSTRUCTION

Various signaling projects, including grade crossing protection, which may have been held in abeyance because they could not be fully justified economically by the savings to be accomplished under wage rates heretofore prevailing, might be profitably reviewed now on the basis of labor costs under the 40-hr. week.

As calculated on one large railroad, operating expenses for a continuously-open block office or an outlying interlocking, including wages for operators or levermen, as well as building maintenance, and other incidentals, may total about \$15,000 annually. The total wages will depend somewhat on the rate which applies and on whether relief schedules are to be filled entirely on straight time or partly on overtime. With due regard to available cash and other financial factors, some railroads may calculate that an annual saving of \$15,000 will justify an expenditure of \$75,000 to \$100,000 or more; and one large road has set \$120,000 as this figure. With these considerations in mind, many railroads are now investigating-and other roads could well afford to investigate - all opportunities to install signaling facilities, such as centralized traffic control or remote control of outlying interlockings, which will permit the closing of open offices or interlocking

Also at railroad grade crossings with streets or highways—where watchmen or gatemen are now on duty one, two or three tricks every day—the increased labor costs under the 40-hr. week may warrant larger expenditures for installation of automatically-controlled flashing-light signals and electrically-operated gates. A further advantage of such installations is the increased safety afforded by uniform protection in service 24 hr. every day of the week.

Thus, the problem of increased operating expenses due to the 40-hr. week can be solved in part by applying modern signaling which can be controlled automatically, or remotely from some office that must remain open for other purposes. And in most cases this will result also in improved operation and safety.

## IS FURTHER

Transportation is vital both in peace and in war, yet we are converting more and more railroad motive power to liquid fuel. By doing this we are putting more and more eggs in one basket. In a national emergency we need all the liquid fuel we can get for army, navy, and air force. Aircraft, in particular, require the highest grades of fuel and no reasonable substitutes are yet available. However, our railroad transportation system is more flexible from a fuel standpoint, since steam locomotives can readily use coal, a mineral fuel, which, according to the best authorities, is available at the present rate of consumption for hundreds of years to come.

Why, then, is it not worth time and effort to keep our railroads coal burning?

One answer is to convert coal to liquid fuel by processes such as the hydrogenation of coal. This is entirely feasible and, at the present time, several test plants are in operation and under consideration, but their initial cost is very high and, in emergencies, their whole output would have to be reserved for the military. Also, such plants would have to be large to make them economically feasible; hence, they would be few in number and not too well dispersed. Therefore, it would not be too difficult to put them out of operation.

The preferable alternative is to use the coal in its natural state. If it is agreed that this would be preferable, the problem is to make the steam locomotive attractive to the railroads.

Recently the New York Central conducted the first full-scale comparative tests between the steam locomotive and the Diesel. They used half modern steam locomotives and half Diesels over the same routes, giving both types adequate maintenance and service facilities. The final cost of operation figures quoted by P. W. Kiefer, chief engineer equipment, New York Central System, in the August 23, 1947, issue of the Railway Age, show that a 6,000-hp. reciprocating steam locomotive costs less to operate per mile than would a 6,000-hp. Diesel.

## **Increasing Steam Efficiency**

Until the advent of the Diesel neither railroads nor locomotive manufacturers had sufficient incentive to break away from conventional designs with a view toward increasing efficiency, but, today, with the stiff competition of Diesel engines and the high cost of fuels, the need for a new approach to the problem is imperative.

In the field of electric power generation, steam is still undisputedly the most economical prime mover in sizes over about 8,000 kw. and on board ships of about 5,000 hp. and larger. These power plants consume only about 6 to 8 lb. of steam per horsepower hour, yet the average locomotive requires 20 lb. or better of steam per horsepower hour. The best is about 15 lb., three times as much as other power plants.

The present-day locomotive is a highly efficient engine considering the limitations presently imposed on it. Therefore, it is necessary to lift or circumvent these limitations.

To increase the efficiency of the steam locomotive to emulate steam power-plant practice, it is necessary

to increase the temperature and pressure of the steam to the engine, decrease exhaust pressures, utilize the steam to better advantage, increase feedwater temperatures without decreasing heat available for work, and decrease steam used in auxiliaries, which is very high and a dead loss on present locomotives.

Steam pressures cannot be increased by any appreciable amount over current practice with the fire-tube boiler. The water-tube type boiler, however, is giving excellent service in power plants and on board ship at pressures from 600 lb. per sq. in. to well over 1,250 lb. per sq. in.

A fire-tube type locomotive boiler has been proposed for high pressures, using a water-tube firebox and throat, thus eliminating staybolt surfaces. Although it is a step in the right direction, it represents unnecessary compromises with good water-tube practice, such as allowing the main drums to be exposed directly to the fire, and the use of bifurcated tubes, etc. The more satisfactory answer is a full-fledged water-tube boiler designed along the latest approved practices.

## Water-Tube Boilers

There are four types of water-tube boilers—the flash boiler, the semiflash boiler, the natural circulation boiler, and the forced-circulation boiler.

The flash and semiflash boilers are ideal in many respects, especially from a theoretical standpoint. However, they still present many problems not found in the conventional water-tube boiler. These have not been entirely solved.

Natural circulation water-tube boilers have not been used on locomotives except experimentally. By the nature of their design they are rectangular and, hence, difficult to conform to standard locomotive limitations. Therefore, two things have to be done. First, more vertical space has to be made on the locomotive without impairing wheel arrangement, and, second the height of a water-tube boiler decreased.

One possible solution to available height is taking a wheel arrangement similar to the Pennsylvania four-cylinder rigid-frame 4-4-4-4, or the Baltimore & Ohio 4-4-4-4 rigid-frame engines and separating the frame in the middle and tying the two sets of drivers together by a third frame with a drop center which would support a water-tube boiler. This arrangement would have further advantages, such as better distribution of weight on the drivers, better flexibility on curves, and, in the case of the reciprocating engine, less reciprocating weight and more room for ash pans.

This double articulated arrangement is used in the English colonies, except that they use a conventional boiler and do not utilize the space between the drivers, the boiler itself acting as the tie frame. An example is the general purpose Beyer-Garratt 4-6-4+4-6-4 used

## STEAM DEVELOPMENT PRACTICAL?

With forced-circulation water-tube steam generators and uniflow or turbine prime movers, the author believes that it is

By CHADWELL O'CONNOR\*

on the Gwelo-Salisbury section of the Rhodesia main line. The new Chesapeake & Ohio turbo-electric locomotive also uses a somewhat similar articulated frame arrangement.

When the height of a water-tube boiler is reduced, the convection or natural circulation is reduced for a given size unit, but, if suitable means of inducing or forcing circulation can be employed, not only can the difference be made up, but heat transfer rates can be increased several times. During the war an experimental high-pressure boiler of this type was developed which consistently produced 1 b. hp. from each square foot of heating surface with a thermal efficiency of 80 per cent.† The unit has all of the advantages of the conventional water-tube boiler plus high heat transfer rates. The firebox is between the upper and lower drums, further reducing the height of the unit and completely enclosing the firebox with water tubes and water walls.

In short, a forced-circulation steam generator of this type would fit the space limitations and allow pressures and temperatures to go as high as metallurgy will allow, which at present is about 1,000 deg. and almost any pressure. However, in the interests of initial cost, standardization of equipment and low maintenance, 600 to 900 lb. per sq. in. pressure and 700 deg. F. for reciprocating engines and 950 deg. for turbines would be the most practical.

### **Furnace**

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It is in the burner and furnace that steam has its greatest advantage-the ability to burn cheap fuels. But it is here also that steam has some of its disadvantages-poor combustion efficiency because of poor coal, improper handling, complicated equipment affected by cold weather, and uncontrolled draft, all of which affect adversely clean, economical operation. Ash disposal also presents its problems.

There is only one method of firing which eliminates, or at least simplifies, the aforementioned problems and that is pulverized coal firing. True, pulverized coal adds a few problems of its own, but they have been solved for stationary water-tube boilers. More nearly approximating the locomotive application is the marine field. It was found that with the Clarke-Chapman system low-grade slack coals could be used. After extensive trial runs the system was pronounced a commercial success. The biggest single problem was slagging, but with water walls and proper furnace design the slag fell to the bottom where it was cooled by tubes on the bottom of the furnace floor and drawn off through a special door.

Scotch marine boilers with their small fireboxes have successfully burned pulverized coal with fusion temperatures of the ash as low as 2,264 deg. F. So, with a flexible water-tube boiler design such as is available with forced circulation, a pulverized coal-burning locomotive which would be capable of burning low grades of coal with the simplicity and availability of oil burners is well within our grasp.

In view of the sometimes erratic supply of coal, the pulverized coal burners mentioned above can be built with an oil burner atomizer in the center which may be used as an alternate.

## **Exhaust Pressure**

Better than 10 per cent thermal efficiency is lost by exhausting against 26 lb. per sq. in. as the standard locomotive does to obtain a draft, as against exhausting at atmospheric pressure. With atmospheric exhaust the effective pressure is increased about 9 per cent, thus producing more horsepower for a given size engine.

To replace the exhaust nozzle an induced-draft fan similar to those used on board ship and in stationary power plants should be used. Such a fan can be controlled at will to suit combustion rates. The control should be made automatic to control the excess air to about 20 per cent. This would increase combustion efficiency substantially above present practice, reduce smoke to a negligible quantity, eliminate the human element, and increase availability and utilization.

A single-expansion reciprocating engine is out of the question for real efficiency as now used. It was abandoned over fifty years ago in favor of compound, triple and quadruple expansion for all other services. However, all attempts to use them on rails have been futile for several reasons-high back pressure, low initial pressures, weight, cost of parts, and inflexibility. There is, however, one type of engine which, today,

<sup>†</sup>Developed and patented by the author, \*Mr. O'Connor is an engineer engaged in steam power plant design on the Pacific coast.

can compete with the turbine and Diesel, namely, the uniflow engine.

A uniflow engine gets full expansion in one cylinder and is more efficient than a quadruple expansion engine. All control is through the valves so that the engine has an almost flat efficiency curve from ½ to 5/4 load. Poppet valves, currently used, lend themselves to higher temperatures and pressures.

For locomotives nothing could be more perfect—high starting torque, with up to 90 per cent cut-off, which would be cut, as soon as underway, to 10 per cent or less, depending on the load. With this arrangement starting torques would be comparable to that of a Diesel, thermal efficiencies would be twice current reciprocating practice, wire-drawing would be materially reduced, and valve driving gear would be simplified and lightened.

The uniflow engine can utilize high pressures and greatly reduce cylinder condensation. Both Stumpf and Lentz have built uniflow engines that consumed only 5.6 lb. of steam per horsepower operating on about 450 lb. and 800 deg. to 900 deg. Correcting for noncondensing service, this would give about 8 to 10 lb. of steam per horsepower-hour, or about one-half the steam consumption of present-day steam locomotives.

There are two major drawbacks to the reciprocating engine. The steam temperature can not exceed about 800 deg. because lubricating oil breaks down beyond this temperature, and multiplicity of moving parts. Steam turbines can operate continuously year in and year out at pressures above 1,000 lb. and up to 1,000 deg. F. with a corresponding increase in efficiency. They are essentially a vibrationless, one-moving-part machine. By extracting steam from various stages of a turbine and heating feedwater with it, the steam has done work and at the same time returns B.t.u. for B.t.u. back to the boiler in the form of hotter feedwater which materially increases thermal efficiency.

John S. Newton, assistant manager of engineering, Steam Division, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, in his article on Coal-Burning Steam-Turbine Locomotives,\* shows steam consumptions of turbines at various horsepowers and pressures. His figures show that the steam consumption of a 4,000- to 5,000-hp. turbine-driven locomotive would be between 45,000 and 55,000 lb. per hr. instead of the usual 100,000 or more required by the reciprocating locomotive. These steam rates are without extraction. With extraction, even lower rates are possible.

## **Auxiliaries**

At boiler pressures of 600 lb. or better, the standard locomotive feedwater procedures are not necessarily applicable. The injector is out because of the high pressure and because of the feedwater heaters necessary for economical operation. Centrifugal pumps require high rotative speeds which dictate a steam turbine or electric drive. Unless the locomotive is turbo-electric, the electric drive would necessitate unnecessary complication. A small turbine drive is not very efficient and the efficiency of a centrifugal pump is also rather low over a wide range. However, a piston type displacement pump has high pumping efficiencies, can

handle hot water close to the flash point, and turn at low speeds. To get variable flow to parallel steam flow, it is better to use a type of pump that has a variable stroke so that the driving motor can operate at constant speed. Several manufacturers make this type of pump for shipboard and power-plant use. It operates from zero to full capacity by a simple remote-control device.

It could be driven off the main engine or off a modern, simple, enclosed, pressure-lubricated, reciprocating steam engine operating against sufficient back pressure to utilize its exhaust for feedwater heating above 212 deg., thus saving most of the heat in the steam used for driving the pump.

The auxiliary feedwater pump should be simple, inexpensive, rugged, and foolproof. A direct-acting steam pump meets these conditions. There are several makes of pumps on the market which operate up to 1,000 lb. on the water end and 250 lb. on the steam end which can readily be reduced from the boiler pressure. Since this pump operates only in an emergency, its relatively high steam consumption is unimportant.

Direct-acting steam air compressors are relatively expensive, are very wasteful of steam and increase standby losses. If a standard type of compound air compressor, mass-produced for industrial uses, were driven off the feedwater-pump engine or by an electric motor, much steam could be conserved and cost and maintenance reduced.

Feedwater heating is important, since it vitally affects the overall thermal efficiency and quality of feedwater.

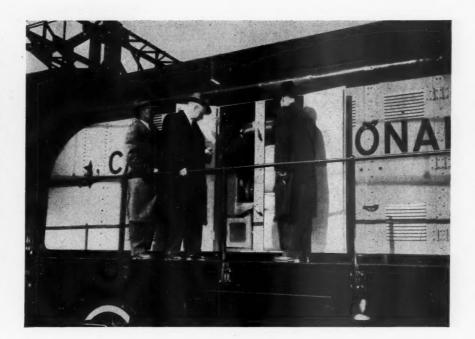
The first stage of heating up to 212 deg. should be in a thoroughfare, open-spray type deaerating feedwater heater through which the exhaust steam from the main engine passes. Its advantages are the small space required, the fact that it is unaffected by motion, ease of cleaning, ability to bring feedwater up to within 1 deg. F. of steam temperature, deposition of solids, and effective deaeration. The second stage heating would be, of necessity, an induction type closed heater receiving steam from all auxiliaries at a pressure sufficient to condense all the steam (about 50 lb. per sq. in). The remaining stages would be similar to the second stage, except that they would get steam from extraction points on the turbine if used.

The usual flue-gas type of air preheater as used in power plants would be too bulky and costly for locomotive use, but if the exhaust steam, after passing through the feedwater heater, were put through a simple tubular air preheater, many advantages would result. It would be simple, small, devoid of soot problems, would require no moving parts, and, being a thoroughfare type, would not freeze in cold weather since there would always be more steam than is necessary to heat the air. The advantages are increased overall thermal efficiency, increased combustion efficiency, better steaming in cold weather, air to the furnace always at the same temperature, and return of condensate to the makeup water, thus increasing water mileage still further.

The main throttle should be air operated as a function of steam-chest pressure. With such an arrangement the engineman, by turning a small knob or lever, can set the pressure at the engine at any predetermined

<sup>\*</sup>Railway Age, February 14, 1948, page 48.

The first Canadian-built 1,000-Diesel-electric locomotive for the Canadian National was delivered this month by the Montreal Locomotive Works and inspected at Central Station by (left to right): E. J. Feasy, supervisor of Diesel equipment; E. R. Battley, chief of motive power and car equipment, and S. F. Dingle, assistant vice-president operations, who are examining the turbocharger. It was the first of 20 which will replace present steam locomotives on switching duties. The locomotives have a six-cylinder super-charge engine, weigh 115 tons and can be kept in continuous service about 22 and a half hours of each 24



amount. This, in effect, sets torque. As soon as the engine is under way, the throttle would be opened wide and the speed controlled by cut-off alone.

## **Initial Cost**

The initial cost of a locomotive as herein described is difficult to arrive at without a complete detailed analysis. However, the important item to note is that such a locomotive can readily be standardized and mass produced. Like the Diesel, it could be resolved down to speeds of 60, 80, 100, and 120 m.p.h. and horse-powers of 4,000, 6,000, 8,000 and 10,000. Once such a grouping were established, costs could be reduced to match the standard low-pressure steam locomotives which are about half the cost of a Diesel locomotive.

## Conclusion

The final decision as to type of drive, arrangement of equipment and wheel arrangement would rest with those men versed on the problems involved. We do know, however, that an efficient engine is now available and, as this article points out, a far superior boiler and burner is within our grasp.

It is also of further interest to compare the locomotive herein described against the list of objections usually associated with the standard reciprocating steam locomotive.

Poor coal.—Pulverized coal burners successfully burn even slack.

Weight per horsepower.—High-pressure water-tube boiler and weight concentrated on drivers all reduce weight per horsepower.

Water stops.—High pressure and proper steam utilization cut water rates in half.

Ash disposal.—No wheels under firebox allows for ample ash pans.

Heating of journals.—Reduced with four cylinders and eliminated by the use of antifriction bearings. No reciprocating journals with turbo-electric drive.

Packing-gland leaks.—Aggravated by high pressure, but poppet valves eliminate valve stem packing and metallic rings for piston rods help. The turbine eliminates this problem.

High center of gravity.—Substantially lowered by the underslung carriage and the water-tube boiler.

Track stress.—Considerably lighter reciprocating parts with four cylinders (two separate sets of drivers). Reduced as low as any other type locomotive with turbine drive either geared or electric.

Servicing en route.—Cut in half or better by halving water and fuel consumption and, in the case of the reciprocating engine, antifriction bearings and reduced reciprocating weight.

Acceleration.—Slow starting overcome in the case of the reciprocating engine by infinitely variable cut-off; turbo-electric comparable to Diesel.

Availability.—Due to use of standard industrial type air compressor, feed pumps, etc., maintenance is reduced and replacement simplified. The water-tube boiler is far simpler, more rugged and far safer even at elevated pressures. (There are no flat surfaces and no drums exposed to hot gases; no stays, etc.)

Cold weather.—The engine, as outlined above, would be enclosed like the Diesel locomotive. This means that all auxiliary equipment is inside and not exposed to excessive cold. The boiler with its induced-draft fan and air preheater would be almost independent of outside temperature.

In short, there is a boiler which fulfills the necessary requirements which, when combined with other available equipment, will produce a vastly superior steam locomotive capable of out-performing all other types of prime mover locomotives and doing it at less cost per mile.

## MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR BILL FOR CLEANING

Debris in freight cars—a subject rarely emphasized—may be costing the railroads in excess of \$60,000,000 annually

The cleaning of freight cars released by consignees as empty, but which are actually incompletely unloaded or littered with debris, is costing the railroads far more than is commonly realized. One road which has made careful studies of the situation cleans in excess of 20,000 cars a month, or nearly a quarter of a million cars annually, at an average out-of-pocket cost of about \$1.76 a car. This cost is composed principally of labor, and does not include switching and other charges which are hidden in total transportation costs.

Surveys indicate that the time required to repull dirty cars, move cars to cleaning yards or tracks, furnish the necessary labor, and switch and respot cars, amounts to as much as five days, depending on the location and the circumstances. When Saturday becomes an off-day for non-operating employees on September 1, the average time consumed will be greater. If the average time is currently three days, then this road is losing 720,000 car-days a year.

## Who's to Blame for Dirty Cars?

The worth of a freight car from the standpoint of the revenue it doesn't earn when it isn't available is highly debatable, but even at the per diem rate of \$1.50 a day, this road would incur a cost of \$1,180,000. No accurate figures have been worked up on a national basis to determine how many cars are cleaned, or what the cost totals. But assuming that the findings of this one railroad-which has put extra effort into the subject-are representative, by projecting its proportion of cars cleaned to loads originated to a national basis, it is estimated that the total number of railroad cars cleaned is 9,360,000 annually. At an out-of-pocket cost of \$1.76 a car, this amounts to \$16,473,600. If the per diem rate of \$1.50 a day is added-certainly a conservative method for determining the value of cars held out of service-and three days is assumed for the average time lost, the national total gets up to \$63,493,600. As pointed out above, "hidden" figures in the general transportation account are not included at all, since no figures separating amounts chargeable to car cleaning are available. But the \$63 million figure alone



Above left-Contents of this box car-empty containers-left the consignee's siding without shipping orders. Above right-

serves to demonstrate the magnitude of the car cleaning problem.

The carriers acknowledge their obligation to furnish cars clean to shippers. Sometimes the roads fall down on the job, despite the big cleaning task they are performing, and many cooperative shippers are spending additional money to ready cars themselves.

The consignee is the party chiefly at fault. Bracing, blocking, paper, empty containers, damaged pieces and all manner of debris are found in cars after they are removed from consignees' sidings or team tracks. "Pulls" are most often made during the night, which lessens the opportunity to detect incompletely unloaded equipment. Besides the cost and car supply factors, release of cars with loose strapping, projecting nails, blocking and debris constitutes a definite hazard to railway employees.

## "Housecleaning" by Freight Car

Some of the more outstanding cases show deliberate efforts of consignees to "houseclean" their plants. In several instances where violators have been traced, the consignees' traffic departments were advised and, rather than taking offense, were pleased to be informed that their plant foreman or cleaning forces were misusing railroad equipment to dispose of plant refuse. One road reports that concrete blocks, the largest measuring nearly a yard square, were found in an "empty" hopper car. Removal required a wrecking crane, entailing direct out-of-pocket expenses of \$72. Several cases on record show that straw and packing left in cars has been ignited by carelessly disposed cigarettes or by spontaneous combustion, causing complete loss of cars and damage to adjacent property.



When unloaded on a cleaning track, its contents made this formidable pile of rubbish, absolutely worthless to the carrier

Not only consignees misuse empties. One car found full of debris was traced back to the receiver, and investigation developed that several tons of rubbish had been placed in the car by a nearby industry without the consignee's knowledge. Nor are the carriers guiltless. Failure to inspect cars properly before placing for loads adds to the time consumed and the cost of car cleaning. Some cars are made dirty by agents of the carriers, but such cases, checks show, are in the minority and are more readily remedied.

## Car-Days Lost

Perhaps some of the reluctance on the part of the railroads to air the dirty car problem has been because of traffic considerations, particularly at competitive points. However, it appears that if shippers and consignees were appraised of the total cost to the carriers

because of the failure to complete unloading or the abuse of equipment, it would be manifest to them that these costs are somewhere in freight rates. The sheer magnitude of the freight claim bill—\$135,000,000 in 1948—has brought about remarkable shipper cooperation in the effort to cut loss and damage. The cost of car cleaning, though less tangible, appears to be almost as severe, and has, in addition, a marked adverse effect on car supply. If receivers of freight had completed unloading and left cars in condition for the next consignee in only half of the 1948 failures, based on the projection of one road's experience, there would have been made available approximately 14 million additional freight car-days.

The Association of American Railroads, the National Association of Shippers Advisory Boards and a number of regional shipper advisory boards are getting behind the dirty car problem. A "perfect unloading," or "clean car" campaign which they advocate, could result in immediate and important savings to the carriers, with obvious benefits to shippers and receivers.

Unwanted contents left in cars by consignees are not only costly and time-taking to remove, but are a definite hazard to railway employees



## MAY PURCHASES UP FROM APRIL

Buying of manufactured products, exclusive of equipment orders, in first five months 5 per cent above same period last year; expenditures for fuels in year's first rise

The railroads' May buying picture was a mixed one, but overall it showed a slight increase from April, with the total dollar volume reaching \$165,606,000. This figure includes equipment orders as well as the invoice value of other materials, supplies and fuels. While purchases of materials and supplies declined slightly from April, equipment orders and expenditures for fuels rose and carried the total for May more than \$3 million above April buying. Purchasing of manufactured products, exclusive of equipment orders, in the first five months of 1949 was about 5 per cent above expenditures for similar items in the same period of 1948, and was, incidentally, the greatest amount ever spent for rail, ties and supplies in any like period.

Railroad equipment orders in May included 589 freight cars and 21 Diesel-electric locomotive units. (There were no orders for passenger cars.) The estimated cost of the freight cars is \$2,474,000, while the 21 Diesel units will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,850,000.

1949 RAILWAY PURCHA	\SES*		
		Five	Five
		Month	Month
		Totals	Totals
	May	1949	1948
	(000)	(000)	(000)
Equipment**	\$ 5,324	\$ 36,240	. \$ 341,746
Rail	9.723	46,172	37,095
Crossties	8,002	39,176	28,211
Other Material	89,408	475,136	470,702
Total from Manufacturers	\$112,457	\$596,724	\$ 877,754
Fuel	53,149	283,088	343,820
Grand Total	\$165,606	\$879,812	\$1,221,574

<sup>\*</sup> Subject to revision

For the first time in years total inventories took a drop. This decrease was about \$8 million. All categories in the *Railway Age* breakdown contributed to this mild reversal on the trend.

## MAY\* PURCHASES OF MANUFACTURED GOODS (Excl. Equip. & Fuel)

May '49 Compared to Other Mays (000)				'49 Compare		Five Month Totals '49 And Other Years (000)			
Year	Amt.	% Change	Month	Amt.	% Change	Year	Amt.	% Change	
1943	\$66,527	+61	Jan. '48	\$102,136	+ 5	1943	\$316,980	+77	
1944	87.044	+23	Apr. '48	111,691	- 4	1944	416,341	+35	
1945	81,481	+31	Jan. '49	114.528	- 6	1945	403,090	+39	
1946	81,891	+31	Feb. '49	108,941	<b>—</b> 2	1946	380,213	+47	
1947	105.379	+ 2	Mar. '49	117,411	- 9	1947	503.334	+11	
1948	105.076	+ 2	Apr. '49	112,471	- 5	1948	536,008	+ 5	
1949	107,133		May '49	107,133		1949	560,484		

## MAY\* PURCHASES OF RAIL

May '49 Compared to Other Mays (000)				'49 Compare		Five Month Totals '49 And Other Years (000)			
Year	Amt.	% Change	Month.	Amt.	% Change	Year	Amt.	% Change	
1943	\$4,599	+111	Jan. '48	\$7,547	+29	1943	\$22,649	+104	
1944	6.188	+ 57	Apr. '48	5,532	+76	1944	32,750	+ 41	
1945	5,184	+ 88	Jan. '49	7.359	+32	1945	29,032	+ 59	
1946	4,968	+ 95	Feb. '49	8,645	+12	1946	20,356	+127	
1947	6.972	+ 39	Mar. '49	9,653	+1	1947	35,271	+ 31	
1948	6.841	+ 42	Apr. '49	10.792	-10	1948	37,095	+ 24.	
1949	9,723		May '49	9,723		1949	46,172		

### MAY\* PURCHASES OF CROSSTIES

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					Five Month Totals '49 And Other Years (000)		
Amt.	% Change	Month	Amt.	% Change	Year	Amt.	% Change
				+42	1943	\$28,431	+38
	1				1944	35.095	+12
				+ 3	1945	28,731	+36
	+1			+14	1946	35,566	+10
	- 5			- 2	1947	40,107	_ 2
	+30		-,	- 2	1948	28.211	+39
8,002	, 50	May '49	8,002	_	1949	39,176	
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<sup>\*\*</sup>Amount placed on order

## MAY\* PURCHASES OF OTHER MATERIAL

May '49 Compared to Other Mays (000)				'49 Comparenths '48 and		Five Month Totals '49 And Other Years (000)			
Year	Amt.	% Change	Month	Amt.	% Change	Year	Amt.	% Change	
1943	\$55,170	+62	Jan. '48	\$88,959	+ 1	.1943	\$265,900	+79	
1944	73,446	+22	Apr. '48	100.219	-11	1944	348,496	+36	
1945	69,813	+28	Jan. '49	99,370	-10	1945	345.327	+38	
1946	69,008	<del>+</del> 30	Feb. '49	93,267	_ 4	1946	324,291	+47	
1947	89,966	- 1	Mar. '49	99,555	-10	1947	427,956	+11	
1948	92.098	- 3	Apr. '49	93,536	_ 4	1948	470,702	+ 1	
1949	89,408		May '49	89,408		1949	475,136		

## MAY\* PURCHASES OF FUEL

May '49 Compared to Other Mays (000)				May '49 Compared to Other Months '48 and '49 (000)				Five Month Totals '49 And Other Years (000)			
Year	Amt.	% Change		Month	Amt.	% Change		Year	Amt.	% Change	
1943	\$44,991	+18		Jan. '48	\$73,468	28		1943	\$224,082	+26	
1944	51,039	+ 4		Apr. '48	58,267	<del>-</del> 9		1944	256,353	+10	
1945	48,638	+ 9		Jan. '49	65,076	18		1945	233,952	+21	
1946	30,280	+76		Feb. '49	57,460	— 8		1946	214,151	+32	
1947	52,469	+ 1		Mar. '49	57,654	- 8		1947	278,726	+ 2	
1948	72.968	-27		Apr. '49	49,749	+ 7		1948	343,820	18	
1949	53,149			May '49	53,149			1949	283,088		

## MAY\* TOTAL PURCHASES (Excl. Equip.)

May '49 Compared to Other Mays (000)				'49 Comparenths '48 and		Five Month Totals '49 And Other Years (000)			
Year	Amt.	% Change	Month	Amt.	% Change	Year	Amt.	% Change	
1943	\$111,518	+44	Jan. '48	\$175,604	- 9	1943	\$541,062	+56	
1944	138.083	+16	Apr. '48	169,958	— 6	1944	672,694	+25	
1945	130.119	+23	Jan. '49	179,604	11	1945	637,042	+32	
1946	112,171	+43	Feb. '49	166,401	- 4	1946	594,364	+42	
1947	157,848	+ 2	Mar. '49	175,065	— 8	1947	782,060	+ 8	
1948	178.044	-10	Apr. '49	162,220	- 1	1948	879,828	- 4	
1949	160,282		May '49	160,282		1949	843,572		

## MAY\* INVENTORIES OF RAIL

MAY* INVE	NTORIES OF RAIL				MAY* INVE	NTORIES O	F CRO	SSTIES		
	Compared to Mays (000)	May '49 Other Months	Compared			Compared (		May '49 Other Months	Compared	
Year May 1, 1943 1944	Amt. % Change \$19,206 +114 23,081 + 79	Month Jan. 1, '48 Apr. 1, '48	<b>Amt.</b> % \$32,924 36,572	+25 +13	<b>Year</b> May 1, 1943 1944	80,463	+67 +26	Month Jan. 1, '48 Apr. 1, '48		+10
1945 1946 1947	26,057 + 58 24,119 + 71 26,875 + 54	Jan. 1, '49 Feb. 1, '49 Mar. 1, '49	33,243 36,408 39,054	+24 +13 + 6	1945 1946 1947	77,413	+36 +31 +13	Jan. 1, '49 Feb: 1, '49 Mar. 1, '49	94,256 94,164 98,833	+ 8 + 8 + 3
1948 1949	31,911 <b>+ 2</b> 9 41,264	Apr. 1, '49 May 1, '49	42,681 41,264	<del>-</del> 3	1948 1949	92,711 101,641	+10	Apr. 1, '49 May 1, '49	101,987 101,641	

## MAY\* INVENTORIES OF OTHER MATERIAL

	Compared to Mays (000) Amt. % C		May '49 Compared to Other Months '48 and '49 (000) Month Amt. % Change											
May 1, 1943 1944	4 - 1	+72 +57	Jan. Apr.	1, '48 1, '48	\$560,70 <b>3</b> 587,390	+15 + 9								
1945	448,326	+44	Jan.	1, '49	611,864	+ 5								
1946 1947 1948 1949	535,071	+42 +20 + 6	Feb. Mar. Apr. May	1, '49 1, '49 1, '49 1, '49	626,423 636,700 647,641 642,872	+3+1								

## MAY\* INVENTORIES OF SCRAP

	Compared to Mays (000) Amt. % Change	Other Months	Compared to '48 and '49 (000) Amt. % Change
May 1, 1943	\$10,105 +77	Jan. 1, '48	\$13,225 +36
1944	10,319 +74	Apr. 1, '48	15,783 +14
1945	10,414 +72	Jan. 1, '49	18,849 - 5
1946	10,959 +66	Feb. 1, '49	18,735 - 4
1947	12,766 +40	Mar. 1, '49	18,532 - 3
1948	16,217 +11	Apr. 1, '49	18,872 - 5
1949	17,936	May 1, '49	17,936

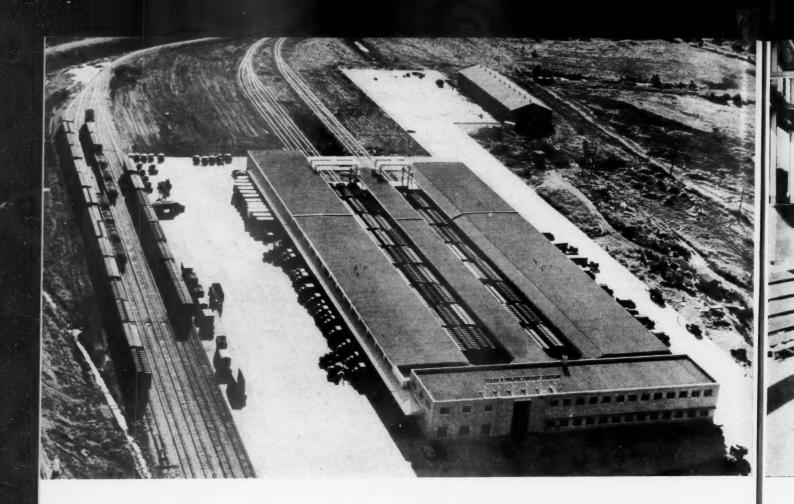
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	43 \$55,				\$66,388	+23	Ma	
19	44 51,	320 +5	9 Apr.	1, '48	64,153	+27		19
19	45 51,	236 +5	9 Jan.	1, '49	96,900	-16		19
19	46 42,	918 +9	O Feb.	1, '49	91,831	-11		19
19	47 55,	973 +4	6 Mar.	1, '49	88,647	- 8		19
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		Compared Mays (000)	May '49 Compared to Other Months '48 and '49 (00										
	Year	Amt. % C	Change	Mo	onth	Amt. %	Change						
	May 1, 1943	\$519,519	+70	Jan.	1, '48	\$765,540	+16						
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	1945	610,825	+45	Jan.	1, '49	855,112	+ 4						
	1946	608,270	+46	Feb.	1, '49	867,561	+ 2						
	1947	720,591	+23	Mar.	1, '49	881,766							
	1948	806,905	+10	Apr.	1, '49	893,195	- 1						
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<sup>\*</sup>Subject to revision †All total inventory figures taken from I.C.C. statement M-125 for the month indicated



## Freight Terminal Built for Efficiency

To replace obsolete structure in congested business district at Dallas, Tex., the T.&P. has opened a large highly-mechanized facility directly outside the city

Less-than-carload freight shipped into and out of Dallas, Tex., over the Texas & Pacific is now being handled much faster than formerly, and at greatly reduced cost, as the result of the completion of a \$1,500,000 modern, highly-mechanized freight terminal in the Trinity Industrial district directly adjacent to the city. Into this new terminal have gone the latest practices in design, arrangement, equipment and communications, plus some new ideas for speeding up the movement of merchandise across the platforms. The expectation on the railroad is that the new facilities will permit a 30 per cent reduction in the handling time for merchandise, and that the better service rendered to shippers will eventually result in a 100 per cent increase in the company's business at Dallas.

## **Old Facility Was Inadequate**

The new freight terminal replaces the company's old Dallas freighthouse, located in midtown at the corner of Pacific and Griffin streets. Built about 1890, the old structure was no longer adequate in size to handle the company's business in a community that has shown phenomenal growth, but conditions were

such that expansion at the old site was out of the question. In its location in the Trinity Industrial district the new freighthouse is only a half mile from the business district, but surrounding conditions are such that future expansion, if necessary, will present no problem.

The Trinity Industrial district occupies an area of 38 acres immediately beyond the westerly limits of Dallas, north of the company's main line and directly east of the Trinity river, from which it is separated by a levee. Title to the land is held by the Eagle Ford Land & Industrial Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the T.&P. The district is served by an industrial lead which, connecting with the main line of the T.&P. is owned jointly by that road and the Cotton Belt. Under active development only during the past several years, the district has already attracted a number of sizable industries and others are expected to locate there. The new freight terminal was built and is owned by the Eagle Ford Land & Industrial Co. and is operated by the T.&P. under lease.

A brief description of the road's freight-handling operations at Dallas is necessary to an adequate understanding of the design of the new terminal. Through



Facing page—The extensive yet compact nature of the terminal, the broad paved areas surrounding it, and the location of the garage (background) are among the features that stand out in this aerial view

Above—The outbound platform has a clear width of 60 ft. and is long enough to accommodate 45 trucks along the tailboard side (at right)

Right—Office facilities in the headhouse provide pleasant and attractive surroundings for employees

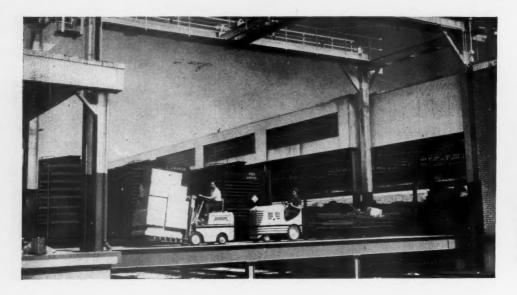
Below—Mechanical equipment at the terminal includes 11 fcrk-lift trucks

its motor-transport subsidiary, the Texas & Pacific Motor Transport Co., the road operates a pick-up-and-delivery service at Dallas and also a highway trucking business to points on its lines, the latter involving 14 scheduled runs centering at Dallas. For handling the pick-up-and-delivery service the road uses 41 trucks and 5 tractor-trailers. In loading merchandise cars bulkheading is used religiously. For handling perishable merchandise in l.c.l. shipments Porta-Kole units, which use dry ice as the refrigerant, are employed.

Started in the spring of 1948, the new freight terminal was placed in operation on July 5. Its principal elements are a two-story headhouse, or office section, fronting to the east on Industrial boulevard, and, extending westward from the rear of the headhouse, an outbound and an inbound platform, separated by an island trucking platform. The building is surrounded by broad, paved areas and drives, permitting ready







Vertical lift bridges spanning the tracks between the outer ends of the platforms expedite the movement of mechanical equipment

maneuverability for trucks without interference with each other. Directly south of the freighthouse, on the opposite side of a wide paved area, is a group of five tracks, where merchandise may be transferred directly between cars and highway vehicles.

## Functions in the Headhouse

Presenting a highly attractive facade on Industrial boulevard and, on the interior, every function and accommodation needed to support the freight-handling operations, the headhouse is 50 ft. wide and 231 ft. long. The first floor is given over almost entirely to office space and other accommodations for the local agent and his staff. There is a private office for the agent and a special agent's office—both overlooking the freight platforms—a large general office, a vault, a record room, a room for valuables, a stationery 100m, toilet rooms for employees, locker and shower rooms for white freight handlers, an assembly room capable of seating 200 persons, and a heating room.

Features of the interior construction include sheet rubber floor coverings, ceilings of acoustical material in the offices and auditorium, fluorescent lighting, and a forced hot-air heating system in which the fans will be used for ventilation in warm weather until a contemplated cooling system is installed. The toilets have ceramic tile floors, glazed tile wainscoting, Ferrometal partitions for the stalls, and Crane fixtures.

The entire second floor of the headhouse is occupied by the road's stationery department. Provided here are office space for the stationer and his staff, toilet and rest room facilities, a print shop, a reproduction department, a receiving and shipping room, a packing room, and 6,000 sq. ft. of storage area. In addition to stairways the second floor is served by an elevator at the extreme south end. Here, adjacent to the elevator, is a small stationery receiving room at the ground-floor level, which opens onto a small outside loading dock at tailboard height.

The most prominent architectural feature of the headhouse facade is the main entrance. This prominence was achieved by placing the entrance doorway in a

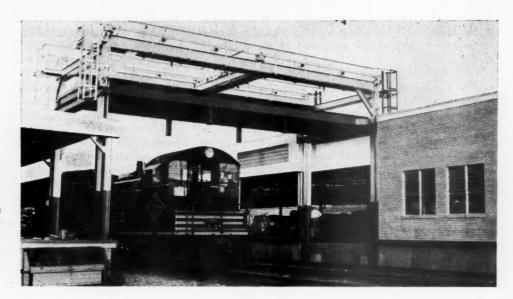
broad vertical band of glass in aluminum sash, extending the height of the building, which is flanked on both sides by a broad pilaster. The southerly portion of the facade, including the pilasters, and the entire south end of the building are finished in Texas limestone, laid up as ashlar masonry. Elsewhere the outside walls of the headhouse are of cream-colored brick, with a base course of ashlar masonry at the north end. To shade the first-floor windows a concrete canopy, or visor, 2½ ft. wide, is provided above these windows on the facade side north of the main entrance, and at the north end. The coping is of native Texas stone.

Mounted atop the headhouse and facing Industrial boulevard is a sign reading "Texas & Pacific Freight Station," which consists of frosted-glass neon-illuminated letters, 2½ ft. high, mounted on a steel frame.

The freight-handling platforms, projecting from the rear, or west side, of the headhouse, have a total of nearly 83,000 sq. ft. of floor space. On the south side is the outbound platform, which is a covered platform 60 ft. wide and 544 ft. long. This platform will accommodate 45 trucks along its south side. About midway of the length of the outbound platform is a small enclosure housing offices for the foreman and the truck dispatcher, and toilets for the platform employees. At the extreme outer end of this platform is another enclosed area, 45 ft. by 60 ft., which includes space for repairing and storing platform equipment, and locker and shower rooms for colored employees.

On the north side are the inbound freight-handling facilities. The structure here is 73 ft. wide and 500 ft. long, and includes a warehouse, 58 ft. by 340 ft., flanked by a 12-ft. platform on the track side, and a covered platform at the outer end, which is 72 ft. wide and 160 ft. long. Centrally-located in the warehouse are the foreman's office, a cooperage shop, and toilet rooms for employees.

Between the inbound and outbound facilities is a covered island platform, 30 ft. wide and 500 ft. long, the purpose of which is to help prevent congestion and to impart flexibility to the operations. At the headhouse end all three platforms are connected by a transverse platform, 20 ft. wide. If additional capacity



This lift bridge has been raised to the elevated position to permit a switching movement

should be needed in the future it can be obtained by building extensions at the westerly ends of the platforms.

Between the outbound and island platforms there are three tracks with a capacity for spotting 27 cars. Between the inbound and island platforms there are two tracks with a capacity of 18 cars. The west or outer ends of the platforms are connected by two motor-driven Whiting crossover bridges of the vertical-lift type, which are designed to carry a load of 10 tons per square foot. Track signals and derails protect the bridges when they are in the lowered position. These bridges provide a connecting link over which mechanized equipment can follow an advantageous traffic pattern from platform to platform, avoiding congestion at the west ends of the platforms.

## **Construction Features of Platforms**

The platform floors are of concrete on concrete foundations, and have a 34-in. compacted wearing surface made with traprock aggregate. Each platform is spanned by transverse steel trusses carrying a roof deck of metal-bound gypsum plank covered by a builtup roof finished with tar and gravel. Extending the length of both the inbound and outbound platforms on the tailboard sides are canopies of corrugated aluminum, with trim of the same material. All the enclosures on the platforms have brick walls. The door openings in both side walls of the inbound warehouse are fitted with wood overhead doors. Five Fairbanks platform scales are provided, three on the outbound platform and two in the inbound warehouse. All the enclosures on the platforms, including the inbound warehouse, are heated by Janitrol unit heaters.

Being located as it is in the flood plain of the Trinity river, the freight terminal is located on soil having a limited bearing value, requiring a foundation of rather unusual design and depth. It consists of circular concrete piers, or shafts, ranging in diameter from 24 in. to 30 in., which are 9 ft. to 14 ft. in depth, and which are belled out at the bottom to diameters of 90 in. to 156 in.

Pneumatic tubes extend from the office in the headhouse to the foremen's offices on the platforms. By means of these tubes, bills of lading handed to the warehouse foreman of the outbound side by truck drivers are transmitted quickly to the billing clerks in the agent's office. Waybills for shipments going out by truck are tubed in the opposite direction. The pneumatic tubes on the outbound side also permit collections for prepaid shipments to be sent to the cashier's office. On the inbound side, freight bills made up here for inbound shipments are tubed to the warehouse foreman who hands them to the drivers. Also, bills signed by consignees and brought back to the freight terminal are handed to the warehouse foreman who puts them through the tubes to the cashier.

An important element in the efficient functioning of the terminal is the intercommunication system which, centering in the agent's office, has talk-back speakers in the foremen's offices on both the inbound and the outbound platforms and also fastened to the lower chords of the trusses at strategic points throughout both platforms.

## **Design Emphasizes Three Points**

In planning the new freight terminal emphasis was placed on three considerations as being of paramount importance in getting maximum efficiency of operation. These are (1) a high degree of mechanization, with standardization of equipment; (2) flexibility of manpower, and (3) simplicity of operation. The first of these is implemented by ten 2,000-lb. "20-24" fork-lift trucks; one 4,000-lb. "40-24" fork-lift truck; one towing tractor with a drawbar pull of 2,000 lb.; 40 fourwheel rubber-tired trailers; 65 semi-live skids with jacks; six steel roller conveyors; three universal barrel trucks, and 1,200 wood pallets to facilitate fork-lift operations.

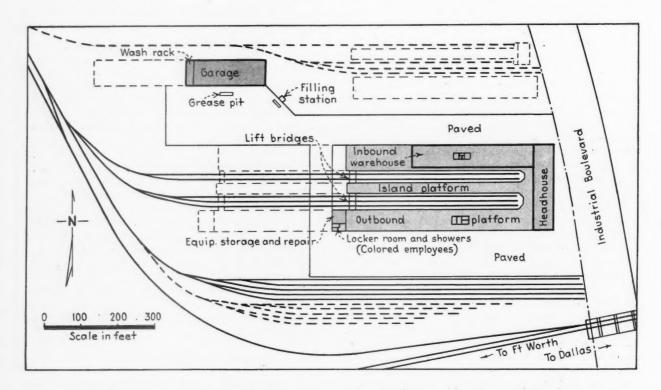
Tractor-drawn trailer trains are used for transporting merchandise distances in excess of 300 ft. Where the distances involved are less the fork-lift trucks are used. At the beginning of each day's work a train of trailers carrying box pallets is operated throughout the

platform area for policing purposes. The equipment is maintained by a full-time repairman who is stationed in the repair shop at the outer end of the outbound platform.

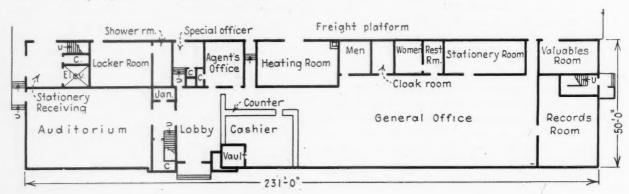
As an efficiency measure all car spots are numbered, and to avoid confusion those for the inbound tracks have odd numbers and those for the outbound tracks have even numbers. On the inbound side the warehouse area is divided into numbered zones corresponding with the car spots, and is also marked off in aisles to permit equipment to move directly across the warehouse from cars to trucks. So that the entire length of the tailboard side of the outbound platform will be available for the unloading of pick-up trucks, over-the-road trucks are loaded along that part of the inbound platform beyond the warehouse, and to this extent the inbound platform is used for outbound purposes.

On the north side of the freight terminal and slightly west of it the road has built a garage for maintaining and servicing the trucks operated by the company's motor-transport subsidiary. Equipped to do all necessary work on the trucks from servicing to heavy repairs, the garage is 60 ft. by 200 ft. in plan and has concrete-block wall, steel roof trusses and cement-asbestos corrugated roofing. The facilities at the garage include a trailer and truck-body shop, a filling station with two gasoline pumps, a greasing pit, and a wash rack housed in a leanto at one end of the garage.

The construction of the new freight terminal was carried out under the general supervision of R. J. Gammie, chief engineer of the Texas & Pacific, assisted by F. D. Danford, assistant to chief engineer, and S. G. Urban, architect. Working from preliminary plans made by the road's engineering department, final plans for the project were drawn by the architectural firm of Wyatt C. Hedrick. J. W. Bateson, Dallas, was the general contractor. W. R. Carr is in charge of the terminal as agent. The mechanized operations and the handling of freight are supervised by W. A. Cowan, supervisor of freight handling and station equipment.



Above—In this plan of the new freight terminal and adjacent facilities the dashed lines indicate possible future extensions and additions. Below—Plan of the first floor of the headhouse. This floor is occupied by the agent and his staff, while the road's stationery department is located on the second floor



## 1948 RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION INDICES

The Engineering Section of the Interstate Commerce Commission's Bureau of Valuation has issued its Railroad Construction Indices for 1948, showing that last year's overall index for the country as a whole was 281, an increase of 24 points or 9 per cent over 1947's 257, and 49 points over 1946's 232. The 1948 level was the highest in the history of the indices, which are weighted averages based on the 1910-1914 costs as 100.

The indices for the country as a whole (shown in the accompanying table) are broken down in the bureau's compilation into eight regional sets. "The indices," the statement says, "represent territorial index factors and are of value in indicating trends. They are not necessarily applicable for use in the determination of reproduction costs upon individual railroads."

The accounts for which the indices are shown are primary accounts designated in the Classification of In-

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  7. Elevated Structures
  8. Ties
  9. Rails
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  12. Tracklaying and Surfacing
  13. Fences, Snowsheds and Signs
  16. Station and Office Buildings
  17. Roadway Buildings
  18. Water Stations
  19. Fuel Stations
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  20. Shops and Engine Houses
  21. Grain Elevators
  22. Storage Warehouses
  23. Wharves and Docks
  24. Coal and Ore Wharves
  26. Telegraph and Telephone Lines
  27. Signals and Interlockers
  29. Power Plants

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- 31. Power Transmission Systems 35. Miscellaneous Structures 37. Roadway Machines 38. Roadway Small Tools 39. Public Improvements—Con-
- struction
  44. Shop Machinery
  45. Power Plant Machinery

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- 11—EQUIPMENT:
  51. Steam Locomotives
  52. Other Locomotives
  53. Freight-Train Cars
  54. Passenger-Train Cars
  56. Floating Equipment
  57. Work Equipment
  58. Miscellaneous Equipment
- HI-GENERAL EXPENDITURES:
- 71. Organization Expenses
  72. General Officers and Clerks
  73. Law
  74. Stationery and Printing
  75. Taxes

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Tabulation of Indices by Years and by Accounts Applicable to the Entire United States

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This large fiberboard plant was brought to Macon, Ga., by the C. of Ga., industrial department

## Central of Georgia Alert for New Industries

Expanded industrial department has induced hundreds of large and small plants to locate along its lines since the war

Childersburg, Ala., was a village of some 400 inhabitants before the war. During hostilities, under the impetus of a \$100 million powder plant built by the government, the population rose to nearly 30,000. The huge plant was closed down in 1945 and Childersburg, in all probability, would have returned to its former somnolent condition, with a large white elephant on its hands, save for the wide-awake industrial department of the Central of Georgia. A campaign to find industries which might profit by peacetime use of wartime facilities was undertaken, with the result that, when construction now under way is completed, Childersburg will have a \$30 million newsprint plant; a \$20 million rayon plant, and a \$2 million acid plant. Negotiations for other large plants there are now in progress.

Hapeville, Ga., was just a village until the C. of Ga. induced Ford to built a mammoth assembly plant there. This plant, which distributes automobiles throughout the Southeast, employs thousands of people. It has transformed Hapeville to a thriving industrial community.

## How It Was Done

In getting these huge projects located on its line, the railway has not overlooked smaller manufacturing and distributing establishments. Since the war more than 670 new or expanded industries have been located on the Central of Georgia, an important factor in recent increases in the proportion of the road's total traffic originating on the line.

The C. of Ga. had maintained a small industrial department for many years, but, with the advent of the war, the staff of one industrial agent and a stenographer was far too small to accommodate the numerous war industries that were springing up along the line and the staff was gradually increased. At the end of the war, instead of breaking up the staff, its activities were expanded and efforts were concentrated upon securing permanent postwar industries. While the railway's general offices are at Savannah, the industrial department has headquarters in Atlanta, a more central point and a city that is a veritable beehive of new industry. The department is headed by a vice-president and includes a general industrial agent, two industrial agents, an industrial representative, and a full-time industrial consultant. It also includes a staff engineer, who devotes his full time to the engineering problems involved in industrial development.

In the past two years, the staff has prepared industrial surveys of all cities and important towns, as well as many of the smaller towns, served by the road. In addition, special studies of site locations have been made for several industries, the pulp and paper industry being one example. These surveys are more specific, giving details as to water supply, power, fuel,



A C. of Ga. streamliner passes the new Ford assembly plant at Hapeville, Ga.

taxes, markets, raw materials available nearby, labor supply, desirable sites, and a variety of other pertinent information that enables newcomers to save much time in determining whether and where to start new plant construction.

To facilitate industrial development, the railway has bought numerous properties suitable for new plants. The largest is located in rapidly growing Atlanta, within five miles of the downtown district. Here the railway is developing 170 acres adjacent to its tracks. The terrain in Atlanta is quite rough and this acreage, like almost all sites in that city, was quite hilly. However, by means of a million yards of excavation and attendant filling of hollows, an attractive, level site has been developed, of which sizable plots have already been purchased by three different companies. This particular development was begun only a short time ago, but in other locations in Atlanta, the C. of Ga. has secured its share of the hundreds of new industries that have poured into that city since the war.

A survey of the industrial possibilities of Macon, Ga., revealed excellent opportunities there and, by calling attention to them, the C. of Ga. has been able to attract a variety of plants to that city, a hub from which four main and secondary lines of the railway radiate. Among Macon's new industries are a paint plant, a margarine plant, an edible oil refinery, a fiberboard plant, a paper mill, a chemical plant and a paper box mill, as well as numerous distributing warehouses.

Columbus, Ga., and adjacent cities already had numerous textile mills and, since the war, a number of these mills have been expanded and new mills have been built. At the new town of Yates, Ga., on the line between Columbus and Atlanta, a new \$43 million steam generating plant, reputedly the largest south of Philadelphia, is under construction.

Besides supplying site data, the Central of Georgia has been of assistance to industry in other waysthe glass and ceramics industries supplying examples. Georgia clay, of which there is a virtually inexhaustible supply, had previously attracted some glass and ceramic plants. Silica of the proper kind is also to be found in the southern part of the state. However, the development of the glass and ceramic industries in Georgia was being handicapped by the lack of feldspar, another vital ingredient, the closet known deposits being in North Carolina, some 200 mi. distant. The industrial department conducted a search for feldspar in Georgia and, in 1948, found large deposits near Monticello on the Macon-Atlanta line. The availability of feldspar so close at hand has already induced new glass and ceramic plants to locate on the C. of Ga., with others in prospect.

## Black Ink for Branches

In the office of the vice-president in charge of industrial development is a map studded with varicolored pins—670 of them in all. A duplicate of this map is in the office of the president of the railway, who, prior to his election to that position in 1948, was, among other things in direct charge of development and who still follows such activities closely. These maps have large clusters of pins, each representing a new or expanded plant around communities on the railway Significantly, these pin clusters are not confined entirely to the larger centers.

The line on the map indicating the Andalusia branch between Columbus, Ga., and Andalusia, Ala., 138 mi., shows a number of these pins throughout its length, and in this respect is typical of other C. of Ga. branches. Much effort has been expanded in the promotion of industries on the branch lines, with the realization that the location of even two or three small industries on a branch may well mean the difference between black and red figures for operation of the tributary trackage.

## H. C. MURPHY TO BECOME NEW BURLINGTON PRESIDENT



H. C. Murphy

At a directors' meeting on July 29, Harry C. Murphy was elected president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy to succeed Ralph Budd when Mr. Budd retires on August 31.

It is expected that Mr. Murphy also will be elected to succeed Mr. Budd in heading up the Colorado & Southern, the Fort Worth & Denver City and the Wichita Valley, which, together with the C. B. & Q., form the 11,000-mi. Burlington Lines. Mr. Murphy has served since August, 1945, as vice-president (operation) and has been in the service of the Burlington since 1914.

Mr. Murphy is known and respected systemwide over the 14-state Burlington, and he, in turn, knows and respects the men who make up his railroad. In his 35 years with the road, he has been located on practically every division. He knows the extensive C. B. & Q. like a postman knows his daily route. The Burlington "is fortunate," Ralph Budd says, "to have a man available who has been on the property so long and knows the property so thoroughly. He will make a fine chief executive."

## Thirty-five Years with the "Q"

Mr. Murphy was born at Canton, Ill., along the Beardstown division of the Burlington, in 1892, the son of Frank E. and Margaret Yaco Murphy. At the age of six, his family moved to Eldora, Iowa, where he attended grade and high school. From 1912 to 1915 he studied civil and mechanical engineering at Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, and in 1916 he attended Armour Institute of Technology at Chicago. While attending school he got his railroad indoctrination, working nights and during vacations for the Iowa Central (now Minneapolis & St. Louis) as a section laborer, station helper, and agent. During his summer vacation of 1914 he entered the service of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy as a clerk in the accounting department. He soon transferred to the engineering department as a rodman, and advanced to draftsman. transitman, engineer of construction, assistant engineer and division engineer.

During World War I he served as an Army air service pilot. Upon his discharge as a lieutenant in 1919, he returned to the "Q" as division engineer at Centralia, Ill., beginning the "tour" which gave him such a thorough knowledge of the Burlington's physical plant, and such broad acquaintance with its personnel.

In the capacities of engineer maintenance of way, or assistant superintendent, he served at Kansas City, Alliance, Neb., Galesburg, Ill., and Lincoln, Neb., respectively. He served as division superintendent at Centerville, Ia., Alliance, LaCrosse, Wis., and McCook, Neb.

## First System Post in 1935

In 1935 he was appointed to his first system post—superintendent of safety—with headquarters at Chicago. In 1936 he was promoted to assistant to executive vice-president, and in 1939 he was appointed assistant vice-president (operation), succeeding Fred G. Gurley, who left that position to become vice-president, and later president, of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe. On August 1, 1945, Mr. Murphy became vice-president (operation) of the Burlington.

Associates describe Mr. Murphy as ever busy applying his skill and talent as a railroadman. On the road he is "up with the birds" and at the rear of his car so as to get a look at the railroad. After dark and long into the night he is still there, with the track lights trained on the right-of-way. Mr. Murphy has no hobbies, per se. When he isn't railroading he is devoting himself to his wife and three children at their home in Aurora, Ill.

The Diesel and the streamlined train were born during the span of Mr. Murphy's railroad career, and each matured on the C. B. & Q. "proving ground." He made early studies on the assignments of Diesel motive power, and is credited particularly for his efforts in the application of the Diesel to freight service.

As a boy Harry Murphy wanted to be a locomotive engineer. He never got to run an engine, but on September 1 he takes over the throttle of the whole Burlington system. Much of his success his associates attribute to his concentration on the fulfillment of the immediate job before him—an inevitable course toward bigger jobs and greater accomplishments, and a good old American custom.

A sketch of Mr. Budd's career will appear in Railway Age for September 4.



Monon baggage car converted from a Pullman tourist car

## Monon Converts Tourist Car To Baggage Car

**E** arly this year, the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville converted a Pullman tourist car, No. 1522, built in 1917, to a baggage car equipped with an express-messenger unit, said to be the first conforming exactly to Association of American Railroads specifications, approved by Mechanical Division letter ballot as of September 3, 1948. The conversion work was done at railway company shops, Lafayette, Ind., where it is planned to convert a second car in the near future.

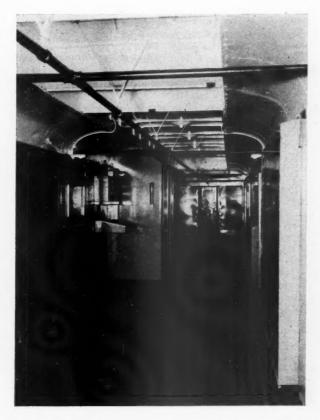
Window sheets of the old car, being badly corroded, were all removed and new steel sheets applied over the posts by welding. Letter board molding was removed and letter boards riveted to the new sheets. Door posts were removed from the former location to a place alongside the vestibule collision posts, welded in place, and tied to the vestibule collision posts by welding ¼-in. steel plates. This construction forms a stronger end than with a vestibule. Steps were removed and side sills extended to vestibule corner posts, eliminating the vestibules. One car end was recessed on the left side to provide end clearance for a Miner hand brake.

## Construction Details

The car sides were insulated with 3-in. Fiberglas and sheeted with 16-gage steel. The lavatory, clothes locker and electric locker were constructed of ½-in. Met-L-Wood. Doorways were edged with aluminum extrusions.

End doors were salvaged from U. S. Government hospital unit cars recently converted. Side doors, made in Lafayette shops of 3/16-in. aluminum sheets, are fastened to both sides of extruded aluminum channels with self-tapping screws. Side doors have graduated locating latches so the doors can be opened and secured at eight positions.

Lights in the original car were left in place and bowls removed. Bulkhead screens were retained in the clerestory. The water system was piped to a wet hopper, lavatory wash basin and the original water cooler. The



The express messenger unit at the center of the car is built of Met-L-Wood

axle generator was left in place and the switchboard taken from a hospital kitchen car now used as a head-end caboose. The interior was painted mail car green with the upper section white. The trucks were converted to use 5½-in. by 10-in. axles for a capacity of 60,000 lb. The light weight of the car is 143,600 lb.

## More Study Urged for "General Safety" Law

## Many interpretations put on I.C.C. "radio rules" bill

Differences of opinion within the Interstate Commerce Commission as to what should be the scope of the "radiorules" bill, which proposes to broaden section 25 of the Interstate Commerce Act, were further emphasized at hearings held by the House interstate and foreign commerce committee on the toned-down version of the bill that was endorsed recently by one of its subcommittees. A majority of the commission still favors the toned-down version, which would somewhat limit the proposed grant of regulatory authority over train-operating rules; but Commissioner Patterson, to whom the Bureaus of Safety and Locomotive Inspection report, adheres to the commission's previous position in favor of the original version with its proposed grant of regulatory authority over all railroad operating rules.

## "Wholly Unsatisfactory" to Railroads

J. Carter Fort, vice-president and general counsel of the Association of American Railroads, who also appeared at the hearings, made plain the railroad position that "no bill" should be reported to the House by the committee. Mr. Fort said there had been "some misunderstanding" with respect to the railroad position on the subcommittee version. "It is," he said, "true that these amendments limit to some extent the power which the bill would otherwise give to the Interstate Commerce Commission and, therefore, represent an improvement over the bill in its original form. Nevertheless, the bill, even with the . . . amendments, is wholly unsatisfactory to the railroad industry because it would still give the . . . commission broad, although uncertain powers, over rules, regulations and practices with respect to the operation of trains." Railroad executives appearing at previous hearings on the bill assailed it as a "make-work" measure, while representatives of railroad labor organizations urged its enactment as a "safety" meas-

The present series of hearings, which opened on August 4, were the result of the committee's decision to receive further presentations from members of the I. C. C. before acting on the subcommittee's proposal. The bill, H. R. 378, is sponsored by the committee's chairman, Representative Crosser, Democrat of Ohio. The original version, as indi-

cated above, would broaden section 25, which now contains provisions of the socalled Signal Inspection Act of 1937, to give the commission authority also over installations of radio and other traincommunication systems, and over all railroad operating rules. The subcommittee's version embodies amendments suggested by the commission after it had endorsed the original version. As modified by those amendments, the proposed legislation would still give the commission authority to require installations of radio and other train-communication systems; but its authority to prescribe train-operating rules would be confined to rules "in connection with" such installations and installations of signaling devices over which the commission already has authority under the present law.

## Commission Now Has "Different Idea"

Commissioner Splawn, chairman of the commission's legislative committee, was the first witness at the hearings. advised the committee that the commission now has a different idea from that submitted to the subcommittee as to the language of the amendments limiting the rules authority. The effect of the alternative language proposed by Dr. Splawn, he said, would be to insure that the commission's authority over train-operating rules in connection with the signaling and communication systems would apply to systems voluntarily installed by the railroads as well as to those ordered in by the commission. Dr. Splawn also suggested alternative language for another amendment which was made by the subcommittee, though not recommended by the commission. The amendment involved would require that "opportunity for hearing" be accorded interested parties before the commission issued any order under the section. The "alternative" language would have the effect of requiring a hearing only "with respect to mandatory orders," if requested by any interested

Meanwhile, Dr. Splawn had explained that the commission's change of front with respect to the original version, which it had recommended in its last three annual reports, was brought about by a vote of six commissioners. Nine of the 11 members, he said, were present at the conference where it was decided to recommend the amendments limiting the rules authority. Two of the commissioners (Commissioner Patterson later said he was one of them) voted against making the recommendation. Commissioner Splawn said he did not vote, because he had been active in trying to work out a "compromise" on which the

commission could present a united front. The six commissioners who voted to recommend the amendments, he explained, were of the view that the commission could not foresee "all of the contingencies" that might arise under the bill's original version.

## "General Safety Act" May Be Necessary

Dr. Splawn went on to say that a "general safety act" may become necessary, but the commission has "not reviewed that question or made a recommendation on it." It was the commission's present view, he added, that consideration of "general safety" legislation should include consideration of such questions as the desirability of enacting such legislation in the form of amendments to existing special acts, and the extent to which it would be in conflict with those acts. The commission "does not oppose" a general safety act, but it is not prepared to present its views on the matter at this time, Dr. Splawn also said. It is, as he put it, with a "feeling of humility" that the commission offers a suggestion to Congress; and in that spirit it was offering its present recommendation as "the best we can think of up to this time."

Commissioner Splawn was questioned at some length by committee members, particularly by the ranking minority member and former chairman, Representative Wolverton, Republican of New Jersey. Mr. Wolverton noted that accident statistics since 1920 indicate a gradual and continuing improvement in railroad safety, and he asked what I.C.C. experience offset that showing to the extent of warranting a request for the proposed legislation. Dr. Splawn explained that the accidents of 1946, which he called a "bad year," prompted the commission to get into the matter. Mr. Wolverton then asked what I.C.C. experience justified the request for even the limited rules authority, and Dr. Splawn replied that the commission was going along on that "out of confidence in the commissioner" (Mr. Patterson) who administers the safety acts.

Elaborating on this reply, Dr. Splawn went on to say that the scope of the rules authority has been the subject of the "big debate." He added that the commissioners comprising the majority changed their minds about the original version's rules provisions because "if you take the lid off, they didn't know what they'd be called upon to administer." Mr. Wolverton then observed that the sponsors of legislation should be in a position to set forth conditions which make the legislation necessary. He added that he did not think this had been done in the present case. He also

asked Dr. Splawn if action on the bill should be delayed while the committee considered a general railroad safety act. The commissioner replied that he thought the matter of a general safety act should be studied, but that his proposal for such a study was not offered "as a suggestion to postpone anything."

### Patterson Favors Original Bill

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Commissioner Patterson read a prepared statement in which he emphasized that he still favors the original version of the bill, modified only by those subcommittee amendments which are designed to safeguard the present jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission over railroad radio installations. If the rules provisions are to be limited, however, Mr. Patterson favors, with some modifications, the alternative language suggested for those provisions by Dr. Splawn. After saying this, Mr. Patterson hastened to make clear his opinion that "it would be a mistake so to limit the authority delegated to the commission." He pointed out that only about 106,000 miles of the country's 266,000 miles of railroad are equipped with signaling systems covered by section 25; and that restriction of the rules authority to rules "in connection with" such devices would leave the commission without rules authority on 'approximately half of the mileage." Also, he noted that even on the lines where signaling systems are in operation, many train-operating rules would be outside the scope of the rules provisions of the subcommittee bill.

Questioning of Mr. Patterson was opened by Representative Sullivan, Democrat of Missouri, who brought out the fact that the original version of the bill was recommended by the commission in its last three annual reports. He then asked what changed the minds of the commissioners. Mr. Patterson replied that the individual members would have to answer for themselves. He added that there was no change of position by him, but he is now in a "hopeless minority." In response to further questicontinued on page 92)

## Emergency Board Tells Unions to Obey Law

## Adjustment Board and courts better remedy than strikes

"We are obliged to report the failure of our mission," Preside..t Truman has been advised by the emergency board created by him to investigate the dispute between the Missouri Pacific and certain of its employees represented by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Order of Railway Conductors, and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen & Enginemen, which had reached an impasse resulting in those unions calling



The Canadian Pacific's new \$1,700,000 terminal at Nanaimo, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, is capable of handling traffic moving by rail, road or water. Freight sheds are contained in the L-shaped building facing the water, with overhead passageways leading to the square two-story passenger station, which contains waiting room, rest room and restaurant facilities for 11,200 passengers per day. The canopied area next to the passenger building provides parking space for buses, with a Vancouver Island coach lines garage and an island freight services garage close by. In opening the new pier, G. H. Baillie, C. P. R. Pacific Region vice-president, announced that, in addition to two new 6,000-ton passenger ships put into service this summer, the company has ordered a "super" ferry, with accommodations for 1,500 passengers and 130 automobiles, to be built in Scotland, for service between Nanaimo and Vancouver

upon some 300 unadjusted grievance claims that had developed out of the interpretation or application of working agreements, this 300 being the number left in dispute out of some 1,800 cases that developed between 1938 and 1945. The emergency board found that, with a few exceptions, the grievances were within the jurisdiction of the First Division of the National Railroad Ad-

a strike slated to be effective July 11.

The strike ballots had been predicated

justment Board, and it suggested to the parties that those cases be submitted to that authority as provided by the Railway Labor Act.

"Two reasons were advanced by the representatives of the employees as to why this suggestion was unacceptable to them," the report went on to say. "They asserted, first, that the failure of the carrier to comply with previous awards rendered it futile for them to again resort to the Adjustment Board; and, secondly, that the First Division was so far behind with its docket that it would require years to carry this group of cases through that agency."

## Adjustment Procedure Scorned

The emergency board suggested then that the federal courts have full authority to enforce awards of the Adjustment Board, but the "representatives of the employees expressed themselves as not disposed to make use of this remedy." The emergency board also pointed out

that two supplemental boards have been set up by agreement of the railroads and the operating brotherhoods to relieve the First Division, but the union representatives "persisted in their determination not to take their claims to the Adjustment Board. We see no reason why this cannot and should not be done, even at this late hour," the emergency board stated.

The board also suggested, it reported, that the Railway Labor Act provides for system adjustment boards, and it proposed that this means be resorted to as a "temporary expediency" to clean up the cases enumerated on the strike ballot. "We regret to report that this suggestion was not sympathetically received," the board advised the President.

"The representatives of the organizations expressed the view that since an emergency board had been created it was the duty of this board to hear these operational disputes and that the complaining employees were no longer obligated to take their grievances to the Adjustment Board," the report continued. "With this point of view we find ourselves unable to agree. This board, like the Adjustment Board, derives what authority it possesses from the Railway Labor Act, and we find nothing in that act which authorizes us to assume the functions of the Adjustment Board in the settlement of disputes that are within its peculiar jurisdiction. That board has final administrative jurisdiction of opera-

## Employees Toss More "Bouquets" Than "Brickbats" in T. & P. Quiz

The majority of Texas & Pacific employees consider themselves well paid, are happy in their jobs, like their supervisors and fellow workers, and would go to work for the T. &. P. again if they were starting their careers anew, the road revealed last week. Announcing results of its employee questionnaire distributed last February (reported in the Railway Age of February 26, page 53), the T. & P. said that 2,406 employees responded to 59 questions asking for opinions on how the railroad is being run or ought to be run.

The road's employees are more interested in security than advancement and prefer an eight-hour day and five-day week, it was disclosed. Answers to the questions show that T. & P. workers have a good understanding of company profits and the majority know how much money their company earns. Most of the employees said that railroads should earn more on their investments. T. & P. management was given a vote of approval, although 43 per cent of the respondents said their immediate supervisors failed to praise them

for work well done. While the majority of employees like their present job, get a feeling of satisfaction from their work, and think that their working conditions are average or better, 60 per cent feel that they are not given an opportunity to use their experience. Another 55 per cent believe their chances for advancement to be just fair or not very good, while a majority would like to have better or more job training.

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The T. & P. executive department is currently studying 1,058 suggestions received in reply to question No. 22, which solicited suggestions for making the company a better place to work. Question No. 59 — "If you were president, what changes would you make on the T. & P. that would improve its services and make it a better railroad" — drew 1,539 responses.

The replies were tabulated by the Department of Economics, Southern Methodist University, and distributed in booklet form to employees with their August 1 paycheck.

tional disputes while the functions of this board are limited to fact finding and the making of recommendations....

"We should like to point out that if it is permissible under the Railway Labor Act for employees to circumvent the functioning of the Adjustment Board merely by creating a situation that calls for the appointment of an emergency board, the act has lost its efficiency for maintaining harmonious and orderly relations in the railroad industry in so far as operational disputes are concerned."

### Unions Set on Strike

The report detailed various expedients to which the emergency board resorted in an effort to induce the union spokesmen to conclude the dispute, and its summation of the results led to the admission of failure quoted above. "It seems in-conceivable to us," the board went on to say, "that a coercive strike should occur on one of the nation's major transportation systems, with all of the losses and hardships that would follow, in view of the fact that the Railway Labor Act provides an orderly, efficient and complete remedy for the fair and just settlement of the matters in dispute. Grievances of the character here under discussion are so numerous and of such frequent occurrence on all railroads that the general adoption of the policy pursued by the organizations in this case would soon result in the complete nullification of the Railway Labor Act. We cannot bring ourselves to believe that these parties are ready to assume the responsibility of sponsoring such a pro-

There were six grievances listed on the strike ballot which the board found to be within its jurisdiction, and it heard the contentions of the parties on these cases and submitted its recommendations as to them. One dealt with the assignment of regular cabooses to regular conductors, and the board held that the "situation has been remedied to the extent that it ought no longer be regarded as the basis of a substantial dispute."

Another controversey involved payment for operation of test trains to determine locomotive tonnage ratings, and the board recommended that the agreement proposed by the railroad be adopted, with some modifications. Other cases had to do with the definition of the duties of outside hostler-helpers, supplying fuel and water to locomotives at points on the road when the terminal could be reached without such supplies, and running engine crews through specified terminals.

The board consisted of Judge Curtis G. Shake of Vincennes, Ind., chairman, Judge Roger I. McDonough of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Floyd McGown of Bourne, Texas. The report was submitted to the White House on August 2.

## Mexican Railroads Get \$17,900,000 More to Spend

The United States Export-Import Bank has authorized the extension of two additional credits, amounting to \$17,900,000, for the rehabilitation and development of Mexican railroads.

A credit of \$12,900,000 has been extended to the Nacional Financiera, S. A., for the improvement of the government-owned National Railways of Mexico. The other credit of \$5,000,000 has been earmarked to the Southern Pacific of Mex-

ico, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Southern Pacific of the United States. Both credits carry the full guaranty of the Mexican government and the S. P. credit represents a sharing with this private enterprise of funds previously set aside for Mexican government projects.

"The dollar funds are to be used only for the purchase in the United States of equipment, materials and services for the rehabilitation and development of the two railways. They will be supplemented by peso funds to be supplied by the Mexican government, and, in, the case of Southern Pacific, by that company," the announcement said.

The funds will be used on the National Railways for the acquisition of new motive power and other equipment, and rehabilitation of roadbed and service facilities; whereas the S. P. improvements will be confined to track and roadbed restoration, shop and signal equipment and other service installations.

The improvements are part of a general program of Mexican railroad rehabilitation for which the bank has already loaned \$62,000,000, of which \$22,000,000 has been repaid.

## Would Put Freight-Bill Credit on Five-Day Week

A petition has been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by E. H. Bunnell, vice-president of the Association of American Railroads, seeking modification of the commission's outstanding orders in Ex Parte No. 73 which prescribe periods of credit allowed on and time allowable for presentation of freight bills. The modifications sought would exclude Saturdays as well as Sundays and legal holidays in the computation of time under these orders, and the addition of Saturdays is sought as a result of the establishment of the 40-hour week for non-operating employees effective September 1.

## Further Hearings in P. & D. And Small-Shipments Cases

Further hearings in connection with the Interstate Commerce Commission's investigation of pick-up and delivery services and charges on small shipments by railroads and motor carriers have been scheduled for January 10, 1950, at Washington, D. C., before Commissioners Rogers and Alldredge and Examiners H. G. Cummings, S. A. Aplin, G. B. Vandiver, E. L. Boisseree and L. J. Kassel. At the time the hearings were set it was announced also that the commission, by Commissioners Rogers and Alldredge, on petition of the eastern railroads, had ordered that evidence previously received separately in the proceedings (Nos. 29555 and MC-C-542 with respect to p. & d. services and Nos. 29556 and MC-C-543 with respect to small shipments) be treated as available for use in any of the proceedings.

The announcement prescribed special procedure for the further hearings as

follows: Testimony and exhibits to be presented must be served on all parties not later than December 10 to be received at the hearing; 12 copies should be transmitted to the commission and one to each "cooperating state commissioner"; and those desiring to cross-examine any witness on evidence already in the record must notify the witness or his counsel and the commission not later than December 10.

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It was indicated that, unless otherwise directed, the procedure at the further hearing will be: (1) Cross-examination relating to evidence already in the record; and (2) Presentation of additional evidence by (a) members of the commission's staff, (b) representatives of other public authorities, (c) railroads, (d) motor carriers and (e) shippers. Cross-examination will follow immediately after direct, and must be completed at that time. Secretary Bartel of the commission stated that it is expected that this will be the final hearing in the small-shipments proceedings.

## D. L. & W. Receives New Equipment

Delivery of 15 new streamlined coaches and nine sleeping cars containing rooms and roomettes, ordered by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western as part of its post-war modernization program, has been completed by the American Car & Foundry Co.

The coaches have been put into service between New York and Buffalo, while the sleeping cars are being operated between New York and Binghamton, N. Y., Elmira and Buffalo, with some in New York-Chicago service.

The modernization program includes still another group of streamlined coaches being built by the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Company, and dining cars and observation-lounge cars being built by the Budd Company, all of which will be delivered after September 1. Each new coach accommodates 64 passengers, and each sleeping car contains six double bedrooms and 10 roomettes, equipped with individual light, heat and temperature controls.

## Grand Central's Lower Level To Be Closed at Night

The lower level of New York's Grand Central Terminal is to be closed every night between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., Eastern Daylight time, beginning August 8; between those hours all New York Central and New York, New Haven & Hartford trains will depart or arrive on the upper level, E. B. Moorhouse, terminal manager, has announced. No trains will be canceled and no schedules will be altered.

The closure follows successful experimental operation of all trains on the upper level during three Saturday nights, and is designed to reduce operating expenses in view of the inauguration of the 40-hr. week on September 1.

The N.Y.C. has also announced that

it will discontinue, effective September 3, Saturday ferry service between Weehawken, N. J., and Cortland street, New York. The number of commuters using the ferry to downtown New York has fallen off to 157 people in each direction on an average Saturday, while the loss in operating the ferry on Saturdays is estimated at about \$32,000 annually. There will be no change in Monday-through-Friday schedules, or in ferry service between Weehawken and West 42nd street, New York.

## Time Zone Investigation

The Interstate Commerce Commission has modified its definition of the United States Eastern Time zone so as to embrace Hamilton County, Tenn., including Chattanooga, which was heretofore in the Central Time zone. The change is effective August 14. The proceeding (No. 10122) was reopened on petition of the Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Retail Merchants Association of Chattanooga (see Railway Age of June 18, page 62).

## **Waybill Studies**

Two additional waybill studies have Transport Economics and Statistics of the Interstate Commerce Commission. They are: Statement No. 4925, Traffic and Revenue in the Products of Mines Group by Commodity Class, Territorial Movement, Length of Haul (Short Line), and Type of Rate—All Terminations in 1947; and Statement No. 4926, Traffic and Revenue in the Products of Forests Group by Commodity Class, Territorial Movement, Length of Haul (Short Line), and Type of Rate—All Terminations in 1947.

## Derailment Safety-Guide, High Crossover Rail, Cause Accident

Reporting on its investigation of the May 20 derailment of a Union Pacific passenger train near Emory, Utah, the Interstate Commerce Commission has found that the accident was caused by an inadequate clearance between a derailment safety-guide and the top surface of a track rail. The report was by Commissioner Patterson, and it noted that since the accident the U. P. has issued instructions to remove derailment safety guides of the type involved from all passenger train cars, and, in addition, to maintain a minimum clearance of 3% in. above the tops of the track rails. Heretofore, U. P. specifications called for a clearance of 21/2 in. when the equalizer springs were fully compressed. The accident resulted in the death of one passenger and the injury of nine others.

The train was No. 1, the westbound "Los Angeles Limited," consisting of three Diesel-electric locomotive units, coupled in multiple control, and 11 cars. It was travelling 53 m.p.h. in a 75 m.p.h. zone when the front wheels of the rear truck of the last car were de-

railed as they approached the switch of a crossover. The report said the derailed wheels continued in line with the track for over 2,200 ft. to a track motorcar set-off, when the rear pair of wheels also derailed. The rear end of the last car veered toward the south and struck a girder of a bridge and the rear truck was torn loose from the car. When the train stopped, the rear end was over 4,000 ft. west of the derailment point. The front truck of the rear car was not derailed and all other parts of the train also remained on the track.

In the vicinity of the point of accident is a double-track line, over which trains are operated by signal indications. A trailing-point hand-operated crossover 283 ft. long, which connects the main tracks, is located 2 mi. east of Emory. The accident occurred on the westward main track at a point 21.7 ft. east of the west switch of the crossover. From the east, the westward main track is tangent 4,237 ft. to the point of accident and 161/2 ft. beyond. The westward main track is constructed of 131-lb. rail, 39 ft. in length, laid on an average of 22 treated ties to the rail length. It is fully tieplated and spiked, provided with 6-hole joint bars, and an average of 12 rail anchors per rail length. Ballast of crushed stone extends to a depth of 8 in. below the

The structure of the turnout at the west end of the crossover consists of a 131-lb. No. 10 spring-rail type frog, 131lb. rails and switch rails, and two guard rails. A gage plate is provided at the point-of-switch and also on the third tie west of the point-of-switch. Switch plates extending under each stock rail and its respective switch rail and under each main-track rail and its respective lead rail are provided on the first 19 ties east of the point-of-switch. The guard rails and stock rails are "adequately" braced, and rail anchors are provided in each direction east and west of the switch point. The track motor-car set-off located 2,329 ft. west of the point of derailment consists of planking and extends through both main tracks.

The report described the derailed car as a sleeping car of lightweight high-tensile steel construction, built during May, 1942. It has one vestibule, which was next to the tenth car. Its light weight is 139,800 lbs. The car is provided with two 4-wheel trucks, spaced 59½ ft. between truck centers.

As to the derailment safety guide, the report described it as a device which is "welded to the bottom surface of the pedestal tiebar % in. inward and parallel to the outer edge. These guides are 153/16 in. long at the bottom and 34 in. thick. They project downward 11/4 in. The purpose of the derailment safetyguide is to guide the truck close to the rail in case of derailment." U. P.'s specifications provide that the lower edge of the device be not less than  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in. above the surface of the rail when the truck wheels are of full diameter and the equalizer springs are under normal compression. Further, the report said that

the outer edge of the derailment safetyguide was 14 in. outward from the throat of the flange of the wheel.

Examination of the westward main track, the report said, revealed the first mark on the south rail of the crossover 121/2 ft. east of the point-of-frog. At this point, it continued, the distance between the gage side of the north rail of the westward main track and the outside edge of the south rail of the crossover was about 14 in. The next mark appeared on the gage side of the north lead rail 311/2 ft. east of the point of switch and 14 in. from the gage side of the north rail of the westward main track. Between points 21/2 ft. and 71/2 ft. west of this latter mark, it was found that the south side of the north lead rail was heavily scored. Opposite this point, marks indicated that a flange had mounted the south rail of the westward main track 21.7 ft. east of the point of switch, then crossed diagonally outward and dropped outside the south rail within a distance of 33.9 ft. The north wheel, the report added, dropped inside the north rail opposite this point. Single flange marks then appeared, both inside the north rail and outside the south rail throughout a distance of over 2,300 ft. westward to the track motor-car set-off, where the other pair of wheels of the truck became derailed. The truck then struck the south girder of a bridge 288 ft. west of the above set-off and the rear truck of the last car became detached from the car.

Examination of the truck, the report added, disclosed that the "center-pin was broken, the front axle was bent and numerous parts of the truck were broken, as a result of its contact with the bridge. The outer face of the right front derailment safety-guide bore marks of its having rubbed heavily against a rail. The derailment safety-guide and the right equalizer bar were heavily scored on their inner surfaces. These marks indicated that these devices had held the truck in line with the track between the point of derailment and the motor-car set-off."

From the marks on the west turnout of the crossover and on the derailment safety-guide, the report said "it is apparent that the right front derailment safety-guide came in contact with the rails of the turnout at points where the gage side of the north rail of the westward main track was about 14 in. distant. After the outside vertical face of the derailment safety-guide came in contact with the gage side of the north lead rail of the turnout, a force was exerted by the north lead rail against the outside face of the derailment safety-guide. This force increased as the distance between the north lead rail and the north main track rail progressively decreased. It became sufficient to force the flange of the left front wheel to the top surface of the south rail, at a point 21.7 ft. east of the point-of-switch, and then it dropped outside the rail 27.2 ft. westward. At the point of derailment, the north lead rail of the turnout was 1 in. higher than the

north rail of the westward main track."

Because of the damage incurred by the truck during the derailment, the report said "the clearance between the derailment safety-guide and the track rail before the accident occurred could not be determined." However, it concluded that "the lead rail of the crossover was 1 in. higher than the main track rail and adequate clearance was not provided to prevent contact between the derailment safety-guide and the lead rail."

## **Budd Elected Chairman of Chicago Transit Authority**

Ralph Budd, who will retire on August 31 as president of the Burlington Lines, has been elected chairman of the Chicago Transit Authority, to which he was appointed a member last April (see Railway Age of April 16, page 77). His term is for three years, beginning on September 1.

Mr. Budd's election was lauded in an editorial published by the Chicago Journal of Commerce, which stated: "If anyone can restore public confidence in the C. T. A., that man is Ralph Budd. To every informed Chicagoan he is Mr. Transportation. No man in the industry is more respected by management, employees and the riding public, alike.

"To his new post Mr. Budd brings the ripe experience of half a century in the business of transporting human beings from here to there. With it is coupled a vigor which scoffs at his 70 years. Our municipal transportation system is in capable hands with Ralph Budd perched on the driver's stool."

## Unions Advised Not to "Load" Strike Ballots

An emergency board appointed by President Truman to investigate a dispute between the Union (Pittsburgh, Pa.) and certain of its employees represented by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen has recommended that the handling of grievances and cases involving interpretation of agreements be "speeded up" on this road so that "better relations will exist through greater cooperation on the part of both parties."

In its report, delivered to the White House last week, the board made specific recommendations as to two of the 15 items which had appeared on the ballot on which the brotherhood's strike call was based. Six other items were withdrawn or settled in mediation while the board's investigation was in progress and the others, the board found, were of "relatively minor importance." In this connection the report said, "We decry the tendency to load the strike ballot with relatively minor issues once the decision is made to spread the ballot by reason of major disputes. Much time has been expended by this board and others in handling matters that should have been settled without difficulty through negotiation or should have been referred to other statutory tribunals."

Of the two grievances rated as "important" by the board, one had to do with the wording of bulletins describing assignments available to crews. The board found that in some instances the bulletins did not comply with the rule in the working agreement that the work to be performed must be "adequately described." By "cooperative consultation," it held, proper descriptions of the assignments generally should be possible. Where agreement cannot be reached as to the wording, arbitration was recommended.

The second major issue had to do with connecting of air hose, which the board, upholding the carrier's contention, held to be part of the regular duties of trainmen. The board, consisting of Andrew Jackson of New York, chairman, Judge Elmer T. Bell of Washington, D. C., and Judge Leif Erickson of Helena, Mont., was created May 12 to investigate the circumstances which had led the union to call a strike for May 14.

### M. W. Harrison Dies

Milton W. Harrison, consultant and member of the governing board of the Railroad Security Owners Association, Inc., from 1935 to 1939, died on August 8, in the Lawrence Hospital, Bronxville, N. Y. He was 60 years old. Mr. Harrison was graduated from St. Lawrence University, Brooklyn Law School, the New York University School of Accounts, Commerce and Finance, and the American Institute of Banking. At the time of his death, he was a member of the executive committee of the Bowery Savings Bank of New York, and chairman of the board of the Midland Continental, Jamestown, N. D. He had served in many instances as a conciliator between railway management and labor.

## Railroads Continue Testimony in Diesel Case

A 1943 agreement between the western railroads and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen was supposed to have permanently settled the question of using additional firemen on Diesel-electric road locomotives, Daniel P. Loomis, of Chicago, chairman of the Association of Western Railways, told the Presidential "fact-finding" board which has been holding hearings at New York since June 27 on the union's demand for employment of extra men.

Mr. Loomis, the sixth witness to appear for the railroads in opposition to the brotherhood's claim, followed L. W. Horning, vice-president, personnel and public relations, of the New York Central, whose testimony was reported, with that of preceding railroad witnesses, at page 56 of last week's Railway Age. Mr. Loomis had in turn been followed, up to the time this issue went to press, by Fred G. Gurley, president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, C. H. Sauls, general manager of the Seaboard Air Line, and D. W. Brosnan,

general manager, Central Lines, of the Southern.

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Mr. Loomis, who headed the railroad committee that worked out the 1943 agreement, told the board that in the negotiations leading to that agreement "the firemen conceded it was a matter of managerial judgment as to whether a second fireman should be assigned to the passenger locomotives and that the firemen's organization had no rights in the matter other than to insist upon compliance with the rule that firemen occupy the control cabs while trains are in motion."

Mr. Gurley, whose railroad is the largest user of Diesels, charged that the firemen's organization is trying to create "additional and unnecessary jobs," which cannot be justified on grounds of safety or efficiency, or on any theory of profit-sharing.

"By what process of reasoning," he asked, "is the Santa Fe to be required to add 680 needless employes to our payroll? It certainly has nothing to do with the safety of the firemen-helpers on the Diesels because our experience shows that a fireman would have to work 56 years on an average before encountering an injury of any kind—even a minor one. The thing just doesn't make sense and that is the reason we have refused to do it."

Mr. Gurley said the Diesel-electric locomotive, "instead of depriving firemen of jobs, had produced more jobs" and challenged the union's claims that only the stockholders and bondholders had profited by its introduction. "It really isn't a matter of 'profit-sharing,' because the wages of firemen are the same on railroads operating in the red as on railroads which earn a modest profit. It is more a matter of what becomes of the total operating revenues of the railroads."

He said that in 1948 the proportion of the Santa Fe's operating revenues paid to road firemen, including payroll taxes for their benefit, was 16 per cent greater than in 1926-30. While the firemen are getting this increase in their proportion of the Santa Fe's total operating revenues, the railroad company and its bondholders and stockholders are getting less. The proportion of its operating revenues that the Santa Fe had left after paying expenses and taxes decreased 43 per cent in comparing 1948 with 1926-30, Mr. Gurley added.

He also cited Santa Fe employment figures to show that firemen had gained rather than lost with introduction of Diesel power.

Comparing 1948 with 1926-30, Mr. Gurley said there had been an increase of 21 per cent in the number of road firemen, but of only two per cent in the number of all employees. Many modern passenger trains, he added, would not be in service today if it had not been for the advantages afforded by the new type of motive power.

Mr. Gurley said the union's demands for two helpers on Diesel-electrics could



ROCK ISLAND MOVES TOWARD COMPLETE DIESELIZATION OF SUBURBAN SERVICE.—
The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific last week received from the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors Corporation six more 1,500-hp. Diesel-electric locomotives for its Chicago suburban service. The road now has 12 such Diesels, with but eight more needed to retire all of its remaining steam locomotives in suburban service. On hand at LaSalle Street station to receive the new units was John D. Farrington, president of the R. I. (center), who is here shown being congratulated by C. R. Osborn, vice-president of General Motors and general manager of Electro-Motive, while W. H. Hillis, vice-president—operation of the R. I., looks on with approval.

not be justified on grounds of physical exertion or undue exposure to accidents. As evidence of this, "firemen with the most seniority almost invariably exercise their rights to place themselves on Diesel locomotives in preference to steam engines." With respect to safety of passengers, he said a study of Santa Fe passenger operations for three years failed to disclose "a single instance of an injury to a passenger under circumstances where there could be any connection whatsoever with the number of men in the cab."

Referring to the Santa Fe's safety record, Mr. Gurley said that in 53,900,000 road miles of Diesel operation over a three-year period, no fireman had lost his life in an accident, and that there had been only 20 injuries—mostly minor. A third of these were caused by falls in the engine room, due usually to slipping on the steel floor, and Mr. Gurley said measures had been taken to minimize that hazard. "There is nothing in our experience to suggest that another man on the Diesel would promote safety. On the contrary, the suggestion is that with more men there would have been more injuries."

## "Friendliness and Companionship"

Mr. Gurley described a new type of Diesel-electric locomotive which the Santa Fe is putting into service, which has no engine room to patrol. "The engine and its appurtenances are under a hood similar to an automobile," Mr. Gurley explained. "Yet, under the firemen's proposal, another helper would have to be provided. The only place he could ride would be in the cab with the engineer and the helper already there. I suppose

the presence of this additional man would make a contribution to the spirit of friendliness and companionship which prevails among engine service employees, but that is not a commonly accepted justification for additions to the payroll."

Railroad operating practices should be kept flexible, Mr. Gurley concluded. "I look with dismay upon any plan or demand which will prevent us from adapting our practices to new developments and to what we learn from experience."

"The competitive situation confronting the railroads calls for maximum efficiency and economy, and this can be achieved only when railroad labor stops its make-work demands and cooperates with management in eliminating feather-bedding practices," Mr. Sauls told the board. "Adding non-productive jobs to the payroll can only serve to destroy the solvency of the railroads and also result, not in more, but actually in less overall employment."

Describing engine service employes as "high-priced" men, Mr. Sauls said "if additional unnecessary firemen must be employed I have no hestitation in saying the result will be the laying off of still more lower-paid employes in other classes of service." There is a lot of maintenance work done on railroads, he explained, which is essential to the continued upkeep of the property. Where revenues do not permit all of this work to be done, he continued, that portion which can be deferred will be deferred at the expense of jobs for maintenance forces.

Directing attention to the "serious financial plight" of the railroads, Mr. Sauls said the railroads are being "squeezed" by the pressure of rising costs against a ceiling of limited rates. He cited evidence showing that the average cost of all materials used by the railroads was more than twice as high in 1948 as in 1938, while freight rates increased slightly over 50 per cent. "The only possible way out of the squeeze in which the railroads find themselves is by greater efficiency of operation, and Diesel locomotives have proved themselves to be one of the most effective tools for solving this problem."

Challenging the union's assertion that the Diesel-electric has resulted in less employment of firemen, Mr. Sauls said "the number of firemen has increased about 30 per cent on the Seaboard since their first Diesel locomotives were pur-

chased in 1938."

Mr. Sauls told the board that his railroad initially used trained machinists and electricians as maintainers in the engine rooms of Diesels but soon discovered it was realizing very little benefit from their use and discontinued the practice, "I submit," he said, "that when railroad management—responsible for safe and efficient operation—has decided that they did not receive any benefit from use of trained shop men in the engine rooms of Diesels, the firemen's organization should not be permitted to over-ride management's judgement by insisting upon the employment of an untrained man in the engine room."

Mr. Brosnan, testified briefly in rebuttal of evidence previously offered by brotherhood representatives.

## Survey Finds Public Still Friendly to Railroads

Only 11 per cent of the public is now in favor of government operation of railroads, according to the results of the ninth annual survey of public opinion conducted for the Association of American Railroads by Opinion Research Corporation. This is the lowest index of government ownership sentiment observed since the surveys were started. The railroads are rated the most important carrier (among a group including also the trucks, air lines, and inland water carriers) by about two thirds of the people. In this respect there has been some decline in recent years in the industry's position, as in 1946 it was rated first by three fourths of the people. Trucks were considered most important by 16 per cent in 1946, and by 21 per cent in 1949. Air lines registered no change, being rated most important by 8 per cent of those responding in both years.

Among other findings, the latest survey shows the public somewhat less critical than in earlier years of the job the railroads are doing, though about two-fifths of the replies indicate the railroads could do better than they are, and one person out of five reports having heard railroad passenger service recently criticized. Three people out of ten consider the railroads progressive in adopt-

ing new ideas and better practices, but four out of ten consider them slow in these respects.

Preference for train travel as compared to air has declined somewhat since 1948 (the interviews were conducted in April), but it still remains considerably above the 1946 level, the railroads' present advantage in the comparison being 10 percentage points as against 3 in 1946. Among the things travelers prefer about airplanes, speed and employee courtesy rate first, as heretofore. Railroad employees again are criticized as not always living up to the public's expectations of courtesy and accommodating treatment, although 43 per cent of recent train travelers find them more accommodating now than a year ago, as against 6 per cent who report deterioration in courtesy.

The 1949 survey, for comparative purposes, obtained opinions on the same subjects as earlier investigations, and in most respects the variations in the results were not of great significance. The public continues to indicate a lack of understanding about the railroads' "profits," and the most youthful segment of the population continues to show a definitely greater preference for air travel than the mature brackets express. A substantial number of those interviewed exhibited no particular concern about government subsidies for transportation, and the usual proportion (8 per cent of all persons interviewed) thinks the railroads get more government aid than any other form of transportation.

## Millionth Visitor at RR Fair

A housewife from Fort Worth, Tex., who attended the Railroad Fair in Chicago on August 4, was the 1,000,000th customer to visit the 1949 show. The honor brought her a personal welcome from Wayne A. Johnston, president of the Illinois Central, a television set and other forms of special recognition.

A total of 1,135,521 paid admissions had been recorded as of August 8, and 580,904 customers had paid to see the "Wheels-A-Rolling" pageant. The Fair's largest attendance in a single day was

45,321 on July 31.

The "Wishing Well" of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois received its second "cleaning" last week, yielding some \$1,000 in small coins tossed in by those with wishes to make. Over \$600—all of which is turned over to the Community Fund—was found when the well was first dredged.

The Fair will close on October 2.

## Freight Car Loadings

Loadings of revenue freight for the week ended August 6 totaled 716,824 cars, the Association of American Railroads announced on August 11. This was a decrease of 6,986 cars, or 1 per cent, below the preceding week; a decrease of 161,823 cars, or 18.4 per cent, below the corresponding week last year, and a drop of 188,420 cars, or 20.8 per

cent, under the comparable 1947 week,

Loadings of revenue freight for the week ended July 30 totaled 723,810 cars, and the summary for that week as compiled by the Car Service Division, A.A.R., follows:

REVENUE FREICHT CAR LOADINGS
For the week ended Saturday, July 30

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District	1949	1948	1947
Eastern	125,727	159,487	163,579
Allegheny	138,546	182,947	193,985
Pocohontas	48,187	73,073	72,594
Southern	107,103	133,236	129,812
Northwestern	130,846	138,822	143,202
Central Western	116,302	137,656	146,901
Southwestern	57,099	69,154	71,518
Total Western Districts	304,247	345,632	361,621
Total All Roads	723,810	894,375	921,591
Commodities:			
Grain and grain			
products	65,623	66,369	71,603
Livestock	8,538	8,874	13,260
Coal	109,661	188,701	175,750
Ceke	9,166	15,499	14,422
Forest products	40,597	53,948	50,507
Ore	74,357	76,829	84,070
Merchandise l.c.l	87,142	102,046	113,588
Miscellaneous	328,726	382,109	398,391
July 30	723,810	894,375	921,591
July 23	718,516	882,129	919,928
July 16	724,100	892,080	919,735
July 9	595,321	755,100	807,117
July 2	644,182	757,278	629,204
Cumulative total 30 weeks	21,497,727	24,251,194	25,179,744

## **July Employment**

Railroad employment decreased 1.77 per cent—from 1,230,064 to 1,208,268—from mid-June to mid-July, and the mid-July total was 11.25 per cent below that of July, 1948, according to the preliminary summary prepared by the Bureau of Transport Economics and Statistics of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The index number, based on the 1935-1939 average as 100, was 115.9 for July, as compared with 118.9 for June and 130.6 for July, 1948.

July employment was below that of the previous month in all groups except the executives, officials and staff assistants group which was up 0.03 per cent. The largest decrease, 4.06 per cent, was in the maintenance of equipment and stores group, while the transportation (train and engine service) group declined 1.48 per cent.

As compared with July, 1948, there were decreases in all groups, ranging from 16.27 per cent in the maintenance of equipment and stores group to 0.20 per cent in the group embracing executives, officials and staff assistants.

## C. & O. Abolishes "No Tipping" Policy in Dining Cars

The "no tipping" policy which the Chesapeake & Ohio established in its dining cars some time ago has been recently rescinded in diners operated on the Chesapeake district; but has been retained on the Pere Marquette district.

When the policy was established, a wage increment of \$46.20 a month was given to dining car waiters with less than five years' service, and one of \$55.20 to those with more than five years' service. Despite this higher pay, it was found that the Chesapeake district wait-

ers preferred the tipping system, and that the habit was "ingrained" in the public. With the restoration of tipping, the wage increments no longer apply.

## June Accident Statistics

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The Interstate Commerce Commission has made public its Bureau of Transport Economics and Statistics' preliminary summary of steam railway accidents for June and this year's first six months. The compilation, which is subject to revision, follows:

		nth of	6 months ended						
Item		ine		June					
	1949	1948	1949	1948					
Number of train									
accidents*	671	964	4,467	6,126					
No. of accidents re-									
sulting in casualties	32	68	240	339					
No. of cas. in train,									
train-service and									
non-train accidents:									
Trespassers:									
Killed	143	137	549	627					
Injured	130	105	513	519					
Passengers on trains:									
(a) In tn. accidents*									
Killed	_	-	1	17					
Injured	1	71	172	653					
(b) In train-service	_	-		-					
accidents									
Killed	1	1	10	10					
Injured	180	233	999	1,301					
Travelers not on trns.:	100	-00	222	2,002					
Killed		-	3	3					
Injured	51	73	368	525					
Employees on duty:	01		000	040					
Killed	31	37	204	296					
Injured		2,488							
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Killed	109	107	770	814					
Injured '	348		2,798	2,233					
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persons:									
Killed	294	202	1 527	1 767					
KilledInjured	9 699	2 406	1,337	21,707					
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of more than \$250 to railway property in 1948. Beginning January 1, 1949, this minimum was raised to \$275. Only a minor part of the total accidents result in casualties to persons, as noted above.

\*\*Casualties to "Other nontrespassers" happen chiefly at highway grade crossings. Total highway grade-crossing casualties for all classes of persons, including both trespassers and nontrespassers, were as follows:

## Heroic U. P. Engineman Dies

H. E. Beyer, Union Pacific locomotive engineer, died on July 29 of burns received when his train struck, and was set on fire by, a stalled gasoline tank truck at a crossing near Montebello, Cal., on July 21. Engineman Beyer's heroism in remaining in the cab of his burning Diesel to bring his train to a safe stop was reported on page 75 of last week's Railway Age.

## F. R. P. Sponsors Fair Contest

An all-expense trip from the winner's home town to the Chicago Railroad Fair, and return, is the first prize in a contest being conducted by the Federation for Railway Progress to secure additional subscriptions to the federation's monthly publication, Railway Progress.

Winners will be determined by the total number of subscriptions secured; or, in case of a tie, by the best com pletion, in 25 words or less, of the statement "America needs more railway progress because . . . . ". Entries in the contest must be postmarked by midnight, September 5.

## EOUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

## 6,434 Freight Cars **Delivered** in July

Freight cars for domestic use de-livered during July totaled 6,434, including 2,779 delivered by railroad shops, compared with June deliveries of 9,121 cars, which included 3,316 delivered by railroad shops, the American Railway Car Institute has announced. July de-liveries included 877 box cars, 1,236 gondola cars, 2,630 hopper cars, 878 refrigerator cars, 638 tank cars and 175 cars of other types.

Freight-train cars ordered last month for domestic use amounted to 408, including 200 ordered from railroad shops, compared with 153 cars ordered in June, all of which were ordered from con-tract builders. The backlog of orders on August 1, the institute said, was 36,564 cars, including 17,955 on order from railroad shops, compared with 42,813 on order on July 1 and 125,093 on order on August 1, 1948.

## SIGNALING

The Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific has placed an order with the Union Switch & Signal Co. for materials to install automatic permissive block signaling on approximately 62 mi. of singletrack line between Beloit, Wis., and Sturtevant, involving searchlight signals. relays, switch circuit controllers, rectifiers, transformers and housings. The installation work will be handled by railroad forces.

## SUPPLY TRADE

## American Brake Shoe Earns More in First Six Months

Sales of the American Brake Shoe Company amounted to \$53,459,897 during the six months ending June 30, William B. Given, Jr., president of the company, reported to stockholders on August 1. Sales in the first six months of 1948 totaled \$57,729,761. Net income for the first six months of this year was \$2,703,095, or \$2.32 per share of common stock, as compared with earnings of \$2,120,070 or \$1.74 per common share, in the first six months of 1948.

Earnings of \$1,236,373 for the second quarter were equal, after preferred dividends, to \$1.04 per common share, compared to earnings in the second quarter of 1948 of \$1,144,064, or 95 cents per common share.

Unfilled orders at the end of the second quarter were \$15,604,000 compared with \$30,871,000 at the beginning of 1949. "Due to high customer inventories in many of our products, the rate of incoming orders is still below customers' consumption," Mr. Given said. "In our judgment orders from customers will not reflect their current rate of use of our products prior to October 1."

The company is in the process of acquiring a war plant at Tonawanda, N.Y., from the government at a cost of \$655,-000. The railroad special trackwork production of the Hillburn, N. Y. plant, originally built in 1880, and of the Niagara Falls, N. Y. plant, originally built in 1900, will be transferred to the Tonawanda plant. The Niagara Falls plant will be sold and indications are that the Hillburn plant will be used for other production. During February, the railroad car wheel plant at Sayre, Pa., was closed, and on July 31 the Atlanta, Ga., car wheel plant of the company was closed. No important capital loss is expected to be involved in connection with these plants as the steps have long been contemplated and capital expenditures kept at a minimum.

## **New Officers for** Lima-Hamilton

At a directors' meeting on August 9, John E. Dixon, formerly president of the Lima-Hamilton Corporation, was elected chairman of the board, to succeed Samuel G. Allen, resigned, and D. S. Ellis, vice-president, at Lima, Ohio, was elected president. George A. Rentschler continues as chairman of the executive committee and chief executive officer. W. A. Rentschler has been elected executive vice-president, and Henry F. Barnhart, vice-president in charge of shovel and crane sales at Lima, has become a director.

## Armco Plans New Steel Plant

The Armco Steel Corporation, Middletown, Ohio, will begin construction soon of a new \$12,000,000 steel making plant which is to produce 400,000 tons of steel ingots a year, Charles R. Hook, chairman, has announced. To be located south of the firm's East Works at Middletown, the facility will consist of three 225-ton open hearth furnaces, five miles of railroad tracks, pipe lines, high tension lines and other similar installations necessary for operation of the plant. Construction is expected to require 15

## Poor & Co. Profits Up \$227,000 In First Six Months This Year

The net profit of Poor & Co., Chicago, was \$904,000 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1949, compared with \$677,000 for the same period of 1948, the company revealed in a statement to its stockholders on August 3. For the 12 months ended June 30, 1949, the net profit was \$1,756,000, an increase of \$605,000 over the previous 12 months.

The statement said, in part: "Shipments during the first half year were in themselves very satisfactory and exceeded shipments in the first half of 1948 by a substantial margin. However, this volume of business was maintained to a very considerable extent at the expense of the backlog of unshipped orders which stands at a little over one-half the figure at the same date a year ago. New bookings continue light."

A regular quarterly dividend of 37½ cents a share on the Class A stock and a dividend of 25 cents a share on the Class B stock have been declared, payable September 1 to stockholders of record August 15.

E. V. Rippingille, Jr., formerly manager of plant No. 2, Electro-Motive Division, General Motors Corporation at Chicago, has been appointed president and general manager of G. M.'s new Canadian subsidiary, General Motors Diesel, Ltd., at London, Ont. As noted in the Railway Age of August 6, page 63, the new company will build Diesel-electric locomotives for Canadian railroads. Mr. Rippingille is one of G. M.'s youngest operating executives, having been born in 1910 at Brooklyn, N. Y. He "grew up"



E. V. Rippingille, Jr.

in the firm; his father, Edward V. Rippingille, is at present assistant general manager of G. M.'s Research Laboratories Division and has been employed by the company for 25 years. Upon conclusion of his formal education at Detroit, Mich., the younger Mr. Rippingille entered the General Motors Institute at Flint, Mich., where he received training as a mechanical engineer. He next joined the Cleveland Diesel Engine Division of G. M., and in 1937 became a foreman at Electro-Motive. He later advanced to assistant master mechanic, and in 1942 was promoted to assistant factory manager. Mr. Rippingille had been manager of Electro-Motive's plant No. 2 since 1946.

Jonathan E. Teal, who retired on June 1 as transportation engineer of the Chesapeake & Ohio, after 40 years of railway service, has established an office as a consulting engineer at 3813 Brook road, Richmond, Va. Mr. Teal will specialize in economics of railway location and operation; railway abandon-

ments and consolidations; joint termin 1 facility, trackage and le se agreements and econ mic studies, surveys and reports. He will also make railway operating and transportation studies relating to Interstate Commerce Commission rate investigations.

R. D. Jablonsky, formerly general superintendent of the American Car & Foundry Co., at St. Charles, Mo., has been appointed district manager at that plant, succeeding the late W. C. Roederer. Mr. Jablonsky was graduated from Washington University in electrical engineering. He later joined the Union Electric Company as substation engineer



R. D. Jablonsky

and, during World War II, was general foreman at the Curtiss-Wright Corporation in St. Louis, Mo. In 1946 he joined American Car & Foundry at St. Charles, as a welding engineer. A few months later his duties were broadened to cover problems involving production, scheduling, labor relations and plant engineering and, on May 1, 1948, he was appointed general superintendent.

Edward A. Murray, manager of the manufacturers products sales department, American Steel & Wire Co. (United States Steel Corporation subsidiary), at Chicago, has been appoint d manager of the Chicago district sales office, succeeding to the duties of Clarence T. Gilchrist, whose appointment as western area sales manager, at Chicago, was reported in the Railway Age of August 6. Appointed to succeed Mr. Murray as manager of manufacturers products sales is Fred L. Nonnenmacher, who has held a similar position at the New York sales office since 1948.

The Vapor Heating Corporation, Chicago, has acquired controlling interest in the Texsteam Corporation, Houston, Tex., which will begin production of a heavy duty steam generator for oil field use, which was developed by Vapor's engineers. A. J. Loose, who has 11 years' experience in the production and engineering of steam generators, will be in charge of operations as vice-president and treasurer of Texsteam.

J. M. Barclay, Inc., 397 Market street, Newark, N. J., sales rej esentative for the Automatic Transportation Company, Chicago, has appointed Harold B. Staniar to its sales staff.

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Clarence Gush has been appointed special railroad sales representative for the American Hoist & Derrick Co., St. Paul, Minn. Along with other lines of mate-



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rials handling equipment, Mr. Gush will handle the sales of locomotive cranes and other products manufactured by American Hoist & Derrick,

Howard Davies, field engineer in the Cleveland, Ohio, office of the Warner & Swasey Co. since 1940, has been assigned to the Syracuse, N. Y., district sales office.

Charles E. Devlin, director of the Douglas Fir Plywood Association, has been appointed general sales manager of the Simpson Logging Company, effective September 1, to succeed R. E. Seeley, resigned.

Henry E. Manker, formerly traffic manager of the Plomb Tool Company at its main plant in Los Angeles, Cal., has been promoted to general traffic manager and will supervise all traffic activities at both the main and the Jamestown, N. Y., plants.

The International Harvester Company's Industrial Power Division, Chicago, has announced a change in organization in the engi eering department and the appointments of the following as chief engineers: W. O. Bechman, advanced engineering group; M. R. Bennett, product engineering group; H. V. Parsley, government engineering group, and J. W. Curley, experimental and test group. D. B. Baker, manager of engineering, will direct the reorganized functions of industrial power engineering.

Laurence S. Dahl, general superintendent of operations of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation subsidiary of United States Steel Corporation) in the Youngstown (Ohio) district, has been elected operating vice-president of the Columbia

Steel Company (also a subsidiary of U. S. Steel), effective August 1, succeeding O. L. Pringle. Mr. Pringle has been elected sales vice-president of the Columbia Steel Company, succeeding the late Frank B. DeLong. H. S. Worthington, who has held several executive positions with the company, has been appointed assistant to the operating vicepresident.

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The Chain Belt Company, Milwaukee, Wis., has appointed Douglas Jones as manager of the firm's Salt Lake City (Utah) district office. He will operate his business as the Douglas Jones Company, 1551 Redondo avenue.

Carl D. Smith has joined the LeTourneau Company as special representative of the sales division, with headquarters at Peoria, Ill. Mr. Smith was formerly associated with the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.

## OBITUARY

William Hugh Coverdale, 78, one of the founders of the consulting engineering firm of Coverdale & Colpitts, died at St. Clare's Hospital, New York, on Au-

G. H. Houston, industrial consultant and president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works from 1929 to 1938, was killed recently in an automobile accident in Teziutlen, Mexico. He was 66 years old.

W. J. Lynch, retired vice-president and director of the American Steel Foundries, died on August 4, in the Lawrence Hospital, Bronxville, N. Y. Mr. Lynch began his career at Cleveland, Ohio, with the Bee Line, which was consolidated with the Cleveland, Cincinnatti, Chicago & St. Louis (New York Central) in 1889, and, before he joined American Steel Foundries in 1911, was associated with the New York Central.

William Lloyd, designer of coal stokers and a consultant on stoker engineering for Combustion Engineering-Superheater, Inc., died on August 7. He was 82 years old.

## **ABANDONMENTS**

Division 4 of the Interstate Commerce Commission has authorized:

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.-To discontinue a free Ohio river towage service between Metropolis, Ill., and Paducah, Ky., 12 mi. The Burlington had also asked for authority to abandon approximately 5,900 ft. of switching tracks at Metropolis along with the towage service. The commission, however, denied this part of the application, ruling that use of the incline and track facilities shows a public need for those facilities for interchange of traffic between the water and rail carrier at the river bank.

Virginian.-To abandon trackage rights and operation over the Chesapeake & Ohio's Glen Jean subdivision from Pax, W. Va., through Sugar Creek Junction to Oswald and to Garden Ground, 18.2 mi. The report noted that the Virginian will continue by joint publication with the C.&O. the present rates on traffic originating on the branch destined to points on the Virginian.

## FINANCIAL

Baltimore & Ohio.—Acquisition of Lessors' Lines .- This road has applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to acquire the franchises, rights and properties of its wholly owned subsidiaries, the Baltimore & Ohio & Chicago and the B.&O. Southwestern, which companies it proposes to dissolve. The former line includes 278 mi. in Ohio and Illinois and the latter includes 937 mi. in Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. The transaction would involve no payment by the parent company other than the surrender of the lessors' capi-tal stock for cancellation. The application said the proposed plan contemplates savings in bookkeeping, taxes and other expenses incidental to the maintenance of a separate corporate existence.

Hudson & Manhattan.-Appoints Real Estate Agent.—This road has appointed Spear & Co. as management and renting agents for all of its rental properties in New York, Jersey City, N. J., Newark and Hoboken. The appointment involves the supervision of all office and loft buildings, stores and terminal concessions operated by the H. & M. in the four cities.

## **New Securities**

Applications have been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by:

International-Great Northern.—To assume liability for \$1,710,000 of series CC equipment trust certificates to finance in part acquisition from the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors Corporation of the following equipment:

		ription	Estimated Unit Cost
2	motives,	Diesel-electric freight loco- each consisting of two	
	1,500-hp. hp. "B"	"A" units and one 1,500- unit	\$453,772

4 3,000·hp. Dicsel-electric freight loco-motives, each consisting of two 1,500·hp. "A" units 310,770

Total estimated cost of the equipment is \$2,150,624. The certificates would be dated August 15, would mature in 15 annual installments of \$114,000 each, beginning August 15, 1950, and would be sold on the basis of competitive bids.

Missouri Pacific.—To assume liability

for \$5,025,000 of series MM equipment trust certificates to finance in part the acquisition of the following equipment: Estimated Unit Cost

Description
and builder
2 1,000-hp. Diesel-electric switching
locomotives (American Locomotive
Company)

\$99,196

1 3,000-hp. Diesel-electric freight le-

310,770

441.628

124,970

126.822

(Budd Company)

All-stainless steel sleeping cars, consisting of 6 double bedrooms and 10 cabins (Budd)

Total estimated cost of the equipment 1 State estimated cost of the equipment is \$6,284,464. The certificates would be dated August 15, would mature in 15 annual installments of \$335,000 each, beginning August 15, 1950, and would be sold on the basis of competitive bids.

St. Louis, Brownsville, & Mexico.—To assume liability for \$1,020,000 of series CC equipment trust certificates to finance in part the acquisition, from the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors Corporation, of the followin equipment:

Unit Cost \$310,770

Total estimated cost of the equipment is \$1,285,276. The certificates would be dated August 15, would mature in 15 annual installments of \$68,000 each, beginning August 15, 1950, and would be sold on the basis of competitive bids.

Division 4 of the I.C.C. has authorized:

Kansas City Southern.—To assume liability for \$3,990,000 of series I equipment trust certificates to refinance balances due on 1,194 box cars purchased in 1947 and 1948 under conditional sales agreements, and to finance in part the acquisition of 100 new all-steel 70-ton hopper cars (see Railway Age of July 23, page 55). The certificates will be dated August 1 and will mature in 30 semiannual installments of \$133,000 each, beginning February 1, 1950. The commission's report approved a selling price of 100.779 with a 2½ per cent interest rate—the bid of Halsey, Stuart & Co. and six associates, which will make the average annual interest cost approximately 2.38 per cent. The certificates were reoffered to the public at prices yielding from 1.1 to 2.675 per cent according to maturity.

#### **Average Prices Stocks & Bonds**

	Aug.		Last
Average price of 20 re- sentative railway stocks		37.51	47.94
Average price of 20 rep sentative railway bonds		85.47	89.96

#### **Dividends Declared**

North Pennsylvania.—\$1.00, quarterly, payable August 25 to holders of record August 18.

## CONSTRUCTION

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe.—This road has awarded contracts to the Ellington Miller Company, Chicago, for conversion of three stalls of the 18th street roundhouse in that city for installation of coach air-conditioning equipment and repair shop; and for repairs to bridge 5-A, Kedzie Avenue subway, Chicago.

Illinois Central.—This road's 1949 rail program involves the laying of 68,000 tons of new rail on 340 mi. of track, including 19 mi. of 132-lb. rail, 306 mi. of 115-lb. and 15 mi. of 90-lb. The latter is being placed on the Chicago suburban system. All the 132-lb. rail is being laid on the Fulton district of the Kentucky division, between Fulton, Ky., and Woodstock, Tenn., a district which handles heavy freight traffic.

## **OVERSEAS**

## To Study Uniform Accounting For European Railways

A group of experts on railway accounting, which met recently at Geneva, Switzerland, has agreed on the desirability of establishing a uniform system of accounting for European railways. Such a system, it was felt, would be an important step toward harmonizing transport in Europe, as it would permit accurate comparison of results achieved by the various railway systems.

The group, which will meet again in November, was set up by the Inland Transport Committee of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe. It includes representatives from Austria, Belgium, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, the United States, and the occupation authorities in Germany.

Brazil.—This country's government recently purchased the British-owned Leopoldina Railway for \$40,000,000 and signed an agreement to rescind the lease under which the Great Western of Brazil has been operated. The latter road, although owned by the Brazilian government, has been leased to and worked by a British-owned corporation, which, according to the agreement, will receive payment of \$14,680,000.

India.—This country's government is said to be trying to reduce air fares, which vary from 6 cents to 9 cents a mile, to the level of current first-class railroad fares, which are approximately 4 cents a mile, according to a recent issue of Foreign Commerce Weekly. The air lines oppose the reduction on the ground that even at present rates many of them are operating at a loss. The government, as an inducement, since April 1 has rebated half the customs duty on gasoline purchased by the air lines, a reduction of about 14 cents a gallon which, it is estimated, will cost the government approximately \$1,260,000 a year.

India,—The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development has announced receipt of a formal application from the government of India for assistance in financing, among other things, rehabilitation of the Indian railways. It is expected that details of the loan agreement will be completed soon. The bank already has completed its investigation of the railway project, which includes the purchase of locomotives and parts and tank cars. (See Railway Age of January 29, page 43.)

## **RAILWAY OFFICERS**

## EXECUTIVE

Frank H. Daggett, whose appointment as vice-president and general manager of the Bangor & Aroostook at Bangor, Me., was reported in the Railway Age of June 11 was born at Hodgdon, Me., on December 8, 1880, and entered railroad service in 1897 as telegraph operator with the Bangor & Aroostook. After serving successively as operator, station agent, train dispatcher and chief train



Frank H. Daggett

dispatcher, Mr. Daggett was appointed superintendent car service in September, 1917. He became superintendent of the Northern division at Houlton, Me., in June, 1931, transferring to the Southern division at Bangor on May 1, 1939. Mr. Daggett was appointed general manager of the road in October, 1947, which position he will continue to hold in addition to the vice-presidency.

William Bamert has been appointed assistant to vice-president, accounting, of the Chesapeake & Ohio, with headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Bamert, who is 35 years old, became associated with the General Electric Company at Schenectady, N. Y., shortly after his graduation from Lehigh University in 1935. In 1940 he was assigned to the air conditioning department of that company at Bloomfield, N. J., and subsequently served successively as director of the budget, manager of credits and

collections, and manager of the sales administration division, the position from which he resigned to accept his C. & O. appointment. In this assignment Mr. Bamert will be concerned mainly with organization planning and personnel development within the accounting department.

F. J. Ivimey has been appointed assistant to the president of the Algoma Central & Hudson Bay, with headquarters at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

Charles Edward Smith, whose retirement vice-president, purchases and stores of the New York, New Haven & Hartford at New Haven, Conn., was announced in the Railway Age of August 6, will celebrate his 72nd birthday on August 20. Born in Somerville, Mass., Mr. Smith is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (B.S. in civil engineering, 1900). He began his railroad career even before the completion of his schooling at M.I.T., by working in the engineering department of the New York & New England (now New Haven) during 1897. From 1898 to 1900, he was engaged in public improvement work in eastern Connecticut, and in the latter year, shortly after his graduation, he went with the New Haven as a bridge department employee. During 1903 he served in the bureau of yards and docks, United States Navv. and in 1904 he became assistant bridge engineer of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern (now New York Central), remaining in this employ until 1906, when he became associated with the International Correspondence Schools. He returned to rail-10ading in 1907 as bridge engineer and assistant chief engineer - also serving



Charles E. Smith

as acting chief engineer — of the Missouri Pacific.

In 1916 Mr. Smith organized the consulting engineering firm of C. E. Smith & Co., in St. Louis, Mo., and engaged in private practice until 1927, with the exception of one year during World War I when he was a major in the construction division of the United States Army. It was during this period of private practice that Mr. Smith was

consultant on railroad and public utility problems to several cities including St. Louis, New York and New Orleans, La.

Mr. Smith returned to the New Haven on January 1, 1928, as vice-president to assist the president directly, in matters assigned to him. He has been in charge of purchases and stores on the

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Mr. Smith's versatility, coupled with his very active interests, led him into a variety of phases of railroading and social and civic life. It was he who inaugurated and for 10 years administered free pick-up and delivery of less-thancarload freight on the New Haven. For several years he was in charge of operation of the New England Transportation Company, the New Haven's highway subsidiary. Recently, construction of the road's new office building in New Haven was completed under his supervision. During his earliest years with the New Haven - directly after his graduation from M.I.T. - he designed many bridges, including those now carrying the New Haven through Bridgeport. Conn., and across the Naugatuck and Housatonic rivers at Derby, Conn., and Shelton. During World War II, from 1941 to 1943, he was furloughed by the New Haven for service with the War Production Board at Washington, D. C., and again, more recently, for service with the so-called Hoover Commission for reorganization of the executive branch of the federal government.

Mr. Smith has been a member of the State of Connecticut Development Commission since its organization originally in 1935 as the State Publicity Commission. Active for many years in the New Haven Advertising Club, he served as its president in 1942 and 1943. He is also a past president of the American Railway Bridge and Building Association; New York Railroad Club; Connecticut Section — American Society of Civil Engineers; Connecticut Association of Purchasing Agents, and the Alumni Association of M.I.T., and a director of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce.

He will continue to serve as vice-president in charge of operation of the County Transportation Company, a subsidiary of the New York, New Haven & Hartford

Vernon C. Mickelson, chief of wage and salary administration, Chesapeake & Ohio, at Cleveland, Ohio, has been appointed assistant to vice-president—personnel, with headquarters at Detroit, Mich. His former position has been abolished.

J. C. James, whose election as executive vice-president and general counsel of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy at Chicago, was reported in the Railway Age of August 6, was born at Aurora, Ill., on February 21, 1882, and was graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1904 and George Washington University Law School. Following admission to the bar in 1905 he engaged in general practice in Aurora until 1914,

when he became local attorney for the Burlington. In 1917 he was appointed assistant to the road's Illinois district attorney, with headquarters at Chicago,



J. C. James

and two years later was advanced to general attorney. Mr. James became general solicitor in 1924 and was promoted to general counsel in 1938. He was elected vice-president and general counsel in the next year, which positions he held until his recent advancement.

Samuel L. Fee, whose promotion to vice-president—operation of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, at Chicago, was reported in the Railway Age of August 6, was born on October 9, 1889, at Knoxville, Iowa. He joined the Burlington in 1906, and served successively until 1917 as telegraph operator, brakeman, fireman, clerk in the industrial department and clerk in the passenger traffic department. In 1917 Mr. Fee was appointed general agent for troop movement under the United States Railroad Administra-



Samuel L. Fee

tion, with headquarters at Rockford, Ill. He was appointed trainmaster on the Burlington in 1919, and later that year became superintendent of terminals at St. Louis, Mo. In 1920 he was again appointed trainmaster, and during 1926 and 1927 served on the staff of the road's

general manager. He was promoted to division superintendent at Centerville, Iowa, in 1927, and held this position later at Alliance, Neb., LaCrosse, Wis., Lincoln, Neb., and Aurora, Ill. He was further advanced to general superintendent at Lincoln in 1936, and in 1939 was transferred to Galesburg, Ill. Mr. Fee became general manager, Lines West, at Omaha, Neb., in November, 1947, which position he held at the time of his recent promotion.

### FINANCIAL, LEGAL & ACCOUNTING

Julian C. Sipple, attorney in the law department of the Central of Georgia, has been appointed to the newly-created position of assistant general solicitor, with headquarters as before at Savannah, Ga. Mr. Sipple is succeeded as attorney by Griffin B. Bell, who has been associated with the C. of G. as law clerk in the office of the general counsel since last year.

Ralph C. Smith, whose appointment as assistant general auditor of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, at Chicago, was reported in the Railway Age of July 23, was born on April 15, 1892, at Trilla, Ill., and received his higher edu-cation at Shelby College. He entered railroad service with the Burlington in May, 1913, serving in various positions in the office of the auditor of freight accounts at Chicago until his appointment as traveling auditor in 1918. He subsequently held the same position on various divisions and, from 1923 to 1927, served as chief clerk in the auditor of ticket accounts' office and the comptroller's office at Chicago. He was later promoted to assistant auditor of freight accounts at that point, becoming assistant auditor of expenditures there in 1932. Mr. Smith was advanced to general auditor of the Colorado & Southern (part of the Burlington Lines) at Denver, Colo., in February, 1936, and was serving in that post at the time of his recent

#### OPERATING

George F. Bacon, whose appointment as superintendent passenger transportation of the Boston & Maine, with headquarters at Boston, Mass., was announced in the Railway Age of August 6, was born at Somerville, Mass., on May 28, 1888. He entered railroad service as an assistant agent of the B. & M. in 1904, and subsequently served as messenger to general superintendent; file clerk; general clerk and later transportation clerk to general superintendent; train clerk in executive department, and transportation clerk to general manager.

The following trainmasters of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific have been transferred as indicated: M. T. Sevedge, from Mason City, Iowa, to Aberdeen, S. D.; E. P. Snee, Aberdeen to

Spokane, Wash.; N. McKegney, Milwaukee, Wis., to Minneapolis, Minn.; R. F. Fairfield, Minneapolis to Tacoma; S. E. Herzog, Tacoma to Madison, Wis.; R. W. Riedl, Madison to Davenport, Iowa; J. E. Ryan, Davenport to Chicago; R. L. Hicks, Chicago to Mason City; J. T. Hayes, Butte, Mont., to LaCrosse, Wis.; J. D. Simon, Green Bay, Wis., to Butte; and R. C. Jones, Milwaukee, Wis., to Green Bay.

John F. Fenimore, whose promotion to superintendent, Eastern division, of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, with headquarters at Emporia, Kan., was reported in the Railway Age of July 23, was born on May 3, 1900, at Topeka, Kan. He first entered railroad service with the Santa Fe in August, 1917, as a



John F. Fenimore

mail clerk, and subsequently served in World War I. Following his apprenticeship, he held various posts in the telegraph department and later served as dispatcher, agent-operator, rules examiner and assistant trainmaster. In 1943 Mr. Fenimore was appointed trainmaster at Newton, Kan., and in 1946, was transferred to Arkansas City, Kan., where he was located at the time of his promotion.

Harry A. Butler, manager of the Southern Pacific's dining car department, with headquarters at San Francisco, Cal., will retire, at his own request, on September 1.

R. R. Tulloch, superintendent, Lake Superior division, of the Railway Express Agency, at Duluth, Minn., has been appointed superintendent of organization, with headquarters at St. Paul, Minn.

E. G. Wesson, superintendent, Aurora-La Crosse division, of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, at Aurora, Ill., has been promoted to general superintendent, Omaha (Neb.)-Lincoln and Wymore divisions, succeeding the late W. P. Wilson, whose death is reported elsewhere in this issue. Andrew E. Stoll, superintendent of the Galesburg-Beardstown division, at Galesburg, Ill., has succeeded Mr. Wesson.

C. J. Nelson, whose retirement as superintendent, Chicago Car Interchange Bureau, was reported in the Railway Age of July 16, was born at Beftoft, Denmark, on July 1, 1874. He entered railroad service in April, 1899, with the Chicago & North Western at Clinton, Iowa, serving as car repairer and inspector until his promotion to chief inspector at that point in 1902. Five years later he was appointed assistant car foreman at Clinton, being advanced to general car



C. J. Nelson

foreman there in 1910. From 1915 to 1919 he served as general traveling inspector, with headquarters at Chicago. Mr. Nelson subsequently became district general foreman at Chicago, and was promoted to district master car builder at that point in 1920. He was appointed superintendent, Chicago Car Interchange Bureau, in March, 1925.

Otto H. Zimmerman, Jr., trainmaster of the Illinois Central at Louisville, Ky., has been promoted to superintendent, Springfield division, at Clinton, Ill., succeeding Ernest H. Hallman, whose appointment as manager of personnel at Chicago is noted elsewhere in these columns.

#### TRAFFIC

R. B. Weaver, general passenger agent of the Gulf, Mobile & Ohio, at Chicago, has been advanced to assistant passenger traffic manager at St. Louis, M., succeeding A. L. Jackson, whose death was reported in the Railway Age of July 30. Succeeding Mr. Weaver is W. R. Godley, district passenger agent, Detroit, who in turn is succeeded by L. L. Deck.

Giles G. Truesdule, assistant passenger traffic manager of the Illinois Central at Chicago, will retire on September 15 after nearly 45 years of service with that road. George R. Kimbel, general passenger agent at New Orleans, La., will succeed Mr. Truesdale and will be replaced in turn by Bernard J. Grenrood, city passenger agent at that point.

Mr. Truesdale was born at Richmond, Ill., on January 19, 1884, and was graduated from Hyde Park High School, Chi-

cago. He entered I. C. service as a transportation clerk in July, 1901, and became traveling passenger agent at Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1906, being advanced to city passenger and ticket agent at that point the following year. From 1908 to 1911 he served as city passenger agent at Chicago. He subsequently became district passenger agent at Pittsburgh, Pa., and in 1917 was transferred to New York as commercial agent. He left the I. C. in 1918 to join the Radium Chemical Company at Pittsburgh, returning to the I. C. in 1921 as assistant general passenger agent, at Chicago. Mr. Truesdale was advanced to general passenger agent in 1927 and was appointed assistant passenger traffic manager in April,

Mr. Kimbel, who was born on December 5, 1901, at Dubuque, Iowa, attended Cutler Business College in his home town and also studied with International Correspondence Schools. He entered railroad service with the I. C. in May, 1917, as a clerk in the passenger traffic office at Dubuque, and subsequently served in various capacities until his promotion to traveling passenger agent at Minneapolis, Minn., in 1822. He was appointed assistant general passenger agent at St. Louis, Mo., in 1930, and was transferred to Memphis, Tenn., a year later, returning to St. Louis as district passenger agent in 1935. From 1937 to 1944 Mr. Kimbel served as general passenger agent at St. Louis, and was next appointed assistant general passenger agent at Chicago. He was transferred to New Orleans in January, 1946, advancing to general passenger agent there the following May.

Mr. Grenrood is a native of New Orleans and served with the Texas Pacific-Missouri Pacific Terminal for 20 years before joining the I.C. in August, 1938, as a ticket salesman. He was appointed city passenger agent in July, 1946.

C. LaDue Norwood, district superintendent of colonization of the Canadian Pacific at Montreal, Que., has retired and his post has been assigned to J. C. Robertson, who has been serving as traveling colonization agent at Montreal since 1937.

Rolph A. Forol, freight traffic agent of the Union Pacific at Omaha, Neb., has been advanced to general agent, freight department, for the road's Omaha and Council Bluffs (Iowa) area.

Edward A. Olson, commercial agent in charge of grain and flour traffic of the Minneapolis & St. Louis at Minneapolis, Minn., has been promoted to general agent at Duluth, Minn., succeeding the late Thomas J. Pewters, whose death was reported in the Railway Age of July 23.

John C. Gutsch, whose retirement as freight traffic manager of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific at Chicago, was reported in the Railway Age of August 6, was born at St. Louis, Mo., on October 24, 1880, and attended the public schools. He entered Rock Island serv-

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ice in 1897 at Topeka, Kan., and six years later became chief clerk in the Chicago offices. He was appointed assistant general freight agent in 1915 and assistant to freight traffic manager in 1925. Mr. Gutsch became assistant freight traffic manager in 1926, and was promoted in 1940 to freight traffic manager.

Charles E. Healey, traveling freight agent of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, has been promoted to general agent of the Mt. Vernon (Ill.) section of the C. & E. I., succeeding the late C. C. King.

S. H. Hill has been appointed general agent of the Norfolk & Western at Memphis, Tenn.

O. B. Sandidge has been appointed general agent of the Fort Worth & Denver City at San Antonio, Tex., succeeding S. B. Gimble, who has retired because of ill health.

Luther F. Jacobs, district passenger agent of the Pennsylvania, at Norfolk, Va., has been transferred in that position to Louisville. Kv.

David H. Wallaze, perishable freight agent of the St. Louis Southwestern at Los Angeles, Cal., will become general agent at Phoenix, Ariz., on August 15, succeeding Charles C. Hamby, who has resigned to enter private business.

#### MECHANICAL

H. W. Hayward, shop engineer, Angus shops, Montreal, Que., of the Canadian Pacific, has been appointed to the newly-created position of engineer of standards and methods at Montreal. Mr. Hayward is a native of Swindon, England, and has been associated with the C.P.R. since 1928. In his new position he will have system-wide jurisdiction over standards and methods for maintenance of equipment.

J. L. Savage, assistant superintendent of the Chesapeake & Ohio's Huntington (W.Va.) shops, has been appointed shop superintendent there. He is succeeded by J. C. Smith, formerly master mechanic, Chicago division, at Peru, Ind., who is in turn succeeded by L. H. Booth, formerly general roundhouse foreman.

Hugo M. McInnis, assistant to the chief mechanical officer, Chesapeake & Ohio, at Detroit, Mich., has been appointed assistant superintendent of motive power, Pere Marquette district, with headquarters at Grand Rapids, Mich. His former post has been abolished.

C. A. Moody, superintendent of shops of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and the Colorado & Southern (part of the Burlington Lines) at Denver, Colo., has also been appointed superintendent of motive power of the C. & S. at that point. He succeeds W. F. Kascal, whose appointment as mechanical superintendent of the Texas & Pacific at Dallas, Tex., was

reported in the Railway Age of July 30, Mr. Moody was born on January 3, 1898, at Havelock, Neb., where he entered railroad service with the Burlington in 1914. After serving as apprentice machinist in the Havelock shops he became a machinist in the roundhouse at Lincoln. Neb., and later held positions successively as gang foreman, erecting shop foreman and general foreman at Havelock. In 1931 he was transferred to the Denver shops as general foreman and in 1939 was appointed to the same position in the manufacturing department at Aurora, Ill. He served as general foreman of the manufacturing and car departments at Aurora from 1940 to 1944, when he became acting shop superintendent at Denver, with jurisdiction over the terminal mechanical department facilities. The following July he was appointed assistant shop superintendent at Denver, and in April, 1946, was transferred to Sheridan, Wyo., as assistant master mechanic. Mr. Moody returned to Denver as superintendent of shops in August, 1947. In his new post he retains jurisdiction over the Denver shops.

### PURCHASES & STORES

H. V. Pembleton, district storekeeper of the New York, New Haven & Hartford at Van Nest shops, New York, has been promoted to general storekeeper at New Haven, Conn., succeeding C. Harry Mc-Gill, whose promotion to manager, purchases and stores, was announced in the Railway Age for August 6. C. M. Kelley, formerly chief clerk to general superintendent, has been appointed assistant to general storekeeper, and I. G. Shapiro, traveling storekeeper at New Haven, succeeds Mr. Pembleton as district storekeeper. Mr. Shapiro will have his headquarters at New Haven and R. M. Froser, who retains the title of assistant district storekeeper, Van Nest shops, will be in charge of stores at Van Nest. P. J. Guarino, stockman at Readville, Mass., has been appointed traveling storekeeper at New Haven, succeeding Mr. Shapiro.

J. A. Heatly has been appointed division storekeeper of the Missouri Pacific Lines, with headquarters at DeQuincy, La., succeeding R. T. Kennedy, granted a leave of absence.

James Roy Fullerton, whose promotion to general storekeeper of the Missouri Pacific Lines, with headquarters at St. Louis, Mo., was reported in the Railway Age of July 30, was born on July 27, 1894, at Sedalia, Mo. He began his railroad career with the M. P. in May, 1910. as a messenger, and served successively as clerk, store room foreman and general foreman in his home town. In 1918 he joined the United States Navy, and the following year returned to the M. P. as general foreman. He was appointed acting district storekeeper at Sedalia in 1943 and was transferred to St. Louis in April, 1946, as traveling storekeeper. Mr. Fullerton held the latter position at the time of his promotion.

## ENGINEERING &

Peter C. Fuller, roadmaster for four of the Canadian Pacific's subdivisions, with headquarters at Woodstock, N. B., has been appointed division engineer of the Schreiber division with headquarters at Schreiber, Ont.

## SPECIAL

Theodore S. Roscoe has been appointed public relations assistant of the New York, New Haven & Hartford, with headquarters at Boston, Mass. Mr. Roscoe resigned as account executive of Fosdick, Payson & Co., advertising agency, of Portland, Me., to accept this post with the New Haven.

C. R. Young, director of personnel, Illinois Central, at Chicago, will retire on September 1, and will be succeeded by Gideon J. Willingham, manager of personnel at that point. Ernest H. Hollmon, superintendent, Springfield division, at Clinton, Ill. will replace Mr. Willingham.

#### OBITUARY

C. C. King, general agent of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois at Mt. Vernon, Ill., died on August 1, at the age of 68. Mr. King, who was to have retired on September 1, had served almost 48 years with the C. & E. I.

John M. Doorly, retired assistant chief engineer, Lines Buffalo and East, of the New York Central, died at St. John's Riverside Hospital, Yonkers, N. Y., on August 4. Mr. Doorly, a native of Jamaica, B.W.I, was born on May 7, 1877, and entered railroad service with the N.Y.C. on May 15, 1905, as a draftsman assigned to the West Side improvements on Manhattan island during the early planning stage of that program. He was appointed assistant engineer on November 1, 1906, and assigned to the project involving construction of Grand Central Terminal and electrification of its approaches. From January 1, 1914, to January 1, 1927, he served as assistant engineer, West Side improvements, becoming engineer, New York Terminal district, on the latter date. In that capacity he participated in the actual execution of the West Side improvements, and also helped resolve many of the problems incident to building the West Side express highway. Mr. Doorly was promoted to assistant chief engineer, Buffalo and East, in April, 1938, and held that post until his retirement on September 30, 1946.

W. P. Wilson, general superintendent of the Omaha (Neb.)-Lincoln and Wymore divisions of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy; at Lincoln, Neb., died on July 12. A photograph and biographical sketch of Mr. Wilson appeared in the Railway Age of November 13, 1948, page 69, in connection with his promotion to general superintendent at Lincoln.

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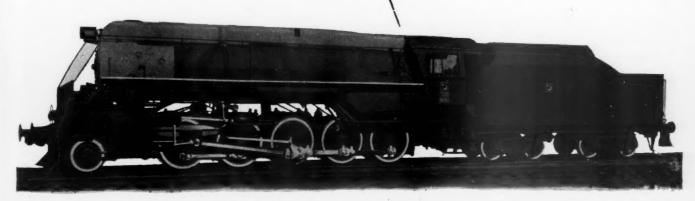
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## Freight Operating Statistics of Large Steam Railways — Selected

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Eastern	Chicago & Eastern Ill1949 1948	909 909	122,985 $182,663$	123,252 $183,453$	2,529 3,851	4,504 5,974	68.4 68.0	412,101 209,0	514	31 50	21	18	11.9 26.5
	Elgin, Joliet & Eastern 1949 1948	238 391	93,898 116,406	94,385 119,868	$\frac{26}{3,266}$	$3,456 \\ 3,992$	66.3 67.7	268,641 147, 310,771 172,	119	41 42	2.	2	4.5
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	Western Maryland1949 1948	836 837	184,437 $218,487$	227,585 263,806	32,393 39,534	6,540 7,831	59.6 62.1	550,232 297,1 643,058 353,9		151 154	16 3	13 14	7.2 8.2
-83	Chesapeake & Ohio 1949 1948	5,031 5,003	1,546,228 $1,732,781$	1,649,594 1,866,451	72,423 93,925	68,500 78,316	56.2 58.8	5,968,719 3,314,1 6,660,576 3,767,2	229	545 593	20 6	127 98	18.4 14.1
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	Atlantic Coast Line1949	5,543 5,552	887,109	897,314 1,122,985	13,257 15,688	22,243 29,237	59.1 63.4	1,549,689 644,8 1,956,774 862,4		349 362	18	80 85	17.9 19.0
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Region	Chic., Milw., St. P. & Pac 1949	10,663 10,663	1,245,665 1 1,343,603 1	,296,090	48,232 54,886	42,852 44,829	65.1 67.0	2,925,692 1,314,6 3,031,011 1,408,6	70	414	99 68	79 88	13.3 14.6
E	Chic., St. P., Minn. & Omaha 1949 1948	1,606 1,606	164,796 201,194	168,493 211,737	6,248 13,063	4,468 5,462	71.0 70.8	286,663 125,8 360,994 163,3	81	71 72	14	23 38	21.3 34.2
rest	Duluth, Missabe & Iron Range . 1949 1948	575 569	158,459 166,114	159,626 166,760	1,607 864	8,599 9,121	51.0 51.4	861,613 518,8 848,147 508,3	18	37 46		1	2.6
Northwest	Great Northern	8,222 8,237	928,537 954,769	925,971 951,561	39,063 40,333	39,834 39,183	65.7 66.1	2,933,703 1,475,9 2,855,912 1,429,2	45	312 338	88 64	53 57	11.7 12.4
ž	Minneap., St.P. & S. Ste. M 1949 1948	4,179 4,180	388,662 413,981	394,572 424,636	6,170 8,407	12,092 13,195	65.7 69.8	811,155 379,0 863,005 418,0	12	113 126		22 17	16.3 11.9
	Northern Pacific	6,592 6,613	779,641 762,078	814,621 796,114	38,308 44,915	$31,061 \\ 30,123$	69.2 71.1	2,125,877 999,3 2,011,688 969,9	18 02	299 304	42 64	64 47	15.8 11.3
ac		13,103 13,081	2,624,305 2 3,032,067 3	,810,725 ,238,422	133,762 153,759	102,243 113,046	65.6	6,958,314 2,730,5 7,637,464 3,048,5	26	712 773	116 67	105 122	11.3 12.7
Region	Chic., Burl. & Quincy1949	8.680 8,670	1,098,897 1 1,248,016 1	,106,719	37,787 40,328	43,627 51,015	64.9 63.9	3,040,009 1,393,8 3,589,727 1,653,3	52 78	336 383	94 55	108 97	20.1 18.1
	Chic., Rock I. & Pac	7,589	1,077,639 1 1,227,094 1	,119,289	13,265 18,424	35,184	60.9 59.7	2,456,662 1,055,95 2,760,720 1,183,0	47	269 292	54 28	57 65	15.0 16.9
estern	Denver & R. G. Wn	2,440 2,443	358,100 376,458	393,408 423,403	48,451 54,636	38,828 12,727 13,141	73.8 73.3	849,985 421,73 888,066 447,03	28 21	130 140	36 50	43 39	20.6 17.0
3	Southern Pacific	8,089 8,106	2,193,555 2 2,196,322 2	,397,283 ,449,946	381,460 452,042	86,280 87,754	61.6	6,202,347 2,272,3 6,205,700 2,440,1	14 90	730 755	19 16	175 165	18.9 17.6
Central	Union Pacific	9,726 9,751	2,059,196 2 2,007,631 2	,131,114 ,098,588	146,103 156,738	88,667 86,462	64.8 65.8	5,986,389 2,305,68 5,930,728 2,473,48	26 29	506 474	136 197	178 102	21.7 13.2
Q	Western Pacific	1,192 1,192	223,499 226,686	250,378 249,216	25,825 26,773		75.9 76.3	615,320 289,7 601,728 286,6	16	66 65	37 47	21 18	16.9 13.8
	International-Gt. Northern*1949	1,110 1,110	216,937 235,402	217,832 237,894	1,269 1,508	6,507 6,476	65.1 66.2	470,505 211,93 451,901 206,20	59	60 65	5	11 12	14.5 15.6
uo	Kansas City Southern	886 885	176,356 176,575	180,565	2,852 1,468	8,370 8,715	64.3	593.559 276.33	52 33	40 41	11	5	7.5 8.8
Region	MoKansTexas Lines1949	3,241 3,241	442,913 508,495	179,351 447,524 519,748	6,288 7,347	13,666 16,442	61.7 61.3	942,505 409,4° 1,115,326 477,13	71 21	103 123	15	37 29	23.9 18.8
	Missouri Pacific*	6,987 6,986	1,307,828 1 1,501,974 1	,342,250 ,546,284	27,573 30,960	44,498 50,128	62.1 62.3	3,093,282 1,311,3° 3,523,151 1,535,7°	79 90	368 422	26	68 60	14.7 12.4
Southwestern	Texas & Pacific	1,852 1,852	338,616 543,305	338,616 543,305	9,333 13,482	11,670 16,749	60.2	798,137 315,29 1,201,808 492,40	98 52	102	16	15	3.3 11.9
athw	St. Louis-San Francisco1949 1948	4,614 4,615	670,947 930,554	678,759 964,151	7,090 10,787	20,626 23,276	63.4 62.9	1,427,027 624,29 1,613,487 697,60	07	231 305	69 5	47 29	13.5 8.6
30	St. Louis Southw. Lines 1949 1948	1,562 1,568	341,655 396,908	343,185 399,150	5,088 5,526	15,798	67.9 70.4	828,091 370,10 988,750 441,98	34	72 83	26 11	14 13	12.5 12.1
	Texas & New Orleans1949 1948	4,314 4,314	785,277 959,737	785,279 961,174	14,792 22,756		63.2 67.7	1,642,513 689,73 1,793,109 795,83		199 202	/••	42 45	16.9 18.2
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## Items for the Month of May 1949 Compared with May 1948

	,	_	Freight	cars on lir	ne	G.t.m.pe	er G.t.m	n.per Net	Net	Net i. ton-m	Can		Train	
	Region, road and year				Con	r excl.loc	os. excl.le and	ocos per	per l'd		pe	ton-mi		loco.
	g / Boston & Maine1949	Hom 3,14			B.C 3.4	). tende		rs mile		day 791	day 44.0	road-mi		day
	1948 N. Y., N. H. & Htfd 1949	1,95e 2,542	9,811	11,767	3.5	38,258	2.41	8 1,056	27.5 26.4	881 570	45.8	6,008	15.9 15.1	
	二年(1948	1,341	17,580		6.0	35,287 53,439	2,431 2,964	1,087	27.2 36.5	646		6,708	14.5	70.9
	Delaware & Hudson	2,526 7,384	7,980	10,506 17,085	5.8 5.6	57,454 44,371	3,212 3,064	1,734	38.7 30.6	1,163 1,620 726	61.0 35.7	15,692 20,129 12,793	18.1 18.0 14.7	57.4 70.2 90.6
	1948	5,129	11,750	16,879 29,942	5.8 8.3	44,840 56,695	2,987 3,441		31.5 26.4	851 899	38.4 52.8	14,753 12,143	15.3 16.6	94.8 80.1
	Frie	6,473 5,460	26,358	32,831 13,518	4.0	56,708 48,505	3,552 2,333	1,568	29.5 28.1	1,099	56.6 34.9	15,580 8,135	16.1 21.0	75.9 140.8
		4,578 9,441		14,252 19,195	6.3	44,614 60,289	2,216 3,373	1,006	30.4 32.9	681 654	33.6 30.1	9,859 9,988	20.3 18.2	137.3 96.6
	New York Central	7,785 75,721	12,014	19,799 154,759	9.1 7.2	52,635 43,072	2,942 2,524	1,463 1,124	34.0 31.7	744 701	31.9 37.1	11,930 10,354	18.2 17.3	98.6 86.4
	Lebigh Valley	56,661 5,556	102,884 8,463	159,545 14,019	$\frac{4.1}{4.3}$	40,283 57,374	2,603 2,815	1,231 1,153	33.5 27.5	838 1,384	39.7 80.3	12,603 12,191	15.7 20.7	94.8 106.6
	Pitts. & Lake Erie	2,873 6,786	12,443 9,226	15,316 $16,012$	1.9 11.5	51,593 55,197	2,676 3,637	1,193 2,249	28.7 52.7	1,483 390	75.4 10.6	14,396 28,797	19.4 15.2	130.9 63.0
	Wabash	3,867 8,960	10,856 10,317	14,723 19,277	8.6 3.4	57,156 49,473	4,132 2,343	2,542 958	52.0 26.6	496 863	13.7 48.8	35,301 6,869	13.8 21.3	73.9 91.4
	1948   Baltimore & Ohio	5,860 62,159	14,181 39,261	20,041 101,420	3.6	47,105 36,437	2,350 2,831	1,045 1,404	28.4 38.3	1,080 810	53.9 34.8	8,988 13,820	20.2 13.1	110.8 78.9
		45,537 1,239	47,728 8,579	93,265 9,818	6.8	33,824 41,347	2,743 3,034	1,388 1,546	37.8 38.5	992 346	$\frac{41.0}{14.3}$	14,869 7,983	12.6 14.1	82.9 85.7
,	Central of New Jersey*1949 1948 Central of Pennsylvania1949	761 1,796	9,355 3,138	10,116 $4,934$	5.0 11.5	41,876 39,383	3,168 3,018	1,668 1,582	39.6 39.6	418 678	15.9 27.1	10,155 16,381	13.7 14.1	73.8 68.2
	Chicago & Eastern Ill 1949	970 3,082	3,969 3,038	4,939 6,120	9.8 9.2	42,368 41,614	3,116 2,377	1,718 1,107	40.6 30.2	865 688	30.7 33.3	19,882 4,821	14.3 17.5	76.4 71.4
	Elgin, Joliet & Eastern	1,699 7,182	4,164 9,572	5,863 16,754	3.0	40,501 22,963	2,307 3,015	1,174 1,651	35.1 42.6	1,104	46.2 9.9	7,439 19,941	8.0	91.3 93.8
-	Pennsylvania System	6,539 41,902	11,324 89,223 127,503	17,863 231,125	1.6	18,521 44,804	2,808 3,139	1,555 1,497	43.1 35.5	325 633	11.1 29.2	14,200 14,931	6.9 14.7	119.0 73.4
	Reading	14,655 8,992	15,923 19,946	239,575 30,578 28,938	9.2 6.7 6.0	40,400 38,692 36,181	3,076 2,928 2,878	1,542 1,575 1,592	36.5 42.9 43.1	786 639 813	33.4 23.8 29.0	18,879 15,199 17,759	13.6 13.2 12.6	83.0 68.3 78.6
	Western Maryland	6,783 3,696	2,625 3,555	9,408 7,251	1.4 1.6	40,891 32,358	3,020 2,994	1,631 1,648	45.4 45.2	1,075 1,498	39.7 53.3	11,466 13,643	13.7 11.0	50.6 62.4
	g g ( Chesapeake & Ohio 1949	63,501 43,691	23,437 29,916	86,938 73,607	4.1	64,965 56,839	3,898 3,904	2,164 2,208	48.4 48.1	1,224 1,584	45.0 56.0	21,250 24,290	16.8	86.1
Doo	Norfolk & Western 1949	37,946 24,144	7,054 7,092	45,000 31,236	4.4	70,291 66,995	4,297 4,225	2,342 2,372	49.8 50.3	1,349 2,062	48.8 69.8	27,345 33,359	14.8 16.6 16.2	98.5 93.7 116.2
		13,491 9,155	13,868 20,572	27,359 29,727	5.0 5.2	29,755 28,637	1,755 1,809	730 797	29.0 29.5	751 903	43.9 48.3	3,753	17.0	69.3 89.7
	Central of Georgia	3,532 2,213	4,325 7,077	7,857 9,290	7.7 4.3	29,910 31,050	1,671 1,686	770 822	29.7 32.1	827 1,026	39.6 44.5	5,011 3,524 4,847	15.9 18.0 18.5	80.5 108.3
Region	Gulf, Mobile & Ohio	4,167 2,972	8,421 12,083	12,588 15,055	2.7	58,195† 57,241	3,052 3,149	1,468 1,560	31.5 32.4	1,120 1,178	49.4	5,045 6,383	19.1 18.3	96.4 71.4
H		24,641 17,104	23,457 34,910	48,098 52,014	2.4	46,374 45,290	2,494 2,610	1,133 1,252	32.5 33.7	1,018 1,136	51.8 52.2	7,705 9,066	18.8 17.6	74.8 80.5
neen	Louisville & Nashville	38,783	11,128 $16,242$	49,911 43,621	3.6 4.2	33,753 29,814	2,056 1,945	1,015 984	37.2 37.8	833 1,198	37.4 51.1	8,895 11,044	16.5 15.3	103.2 130.0
Sout	1948	3,183 1,111	3,431 4,710	6,614 5,821	$\frac{12.3}{7.1}$	35,957 29,886	1,758 1,523	801 756	29.0 · 32.2	877 1,108	42.6 45.6	5,624 6,392	20.6 19.8	110.0 110.1
0.	1948	1,282 6,686	10,382 17,066	21,664 23,752	2.3 1.3	38,147 35,778	2,132 $2,092$	873 912	29.3 29.5	925 1,067	52,5 55.7	5.066 6,356	18.3 17.6	93.0 103.7
	1948 1	18,448 14,036	26,240 31,784	44,688 45,820	5.0 4.5	33,454 30,318	1,885 1,770	812 806	28.3 29.6	738 978	40.4 48.4	5,224 6,846	17.9 17.3	70.2 89.1
	1948 1	23,384 19,745	24,735 33,808	48,119 53,553	3.1 3.6	37,194 35,520	2,432 2,476	1,056 1,131	30.5 31.0	584 671	29.7 32.2	3,453 4,429	16.0 15.1	67.4 80.8
ion	Chicago Great Western	$2,034 \\ 1,502$	4,706 4,787	6,740 6,289	7.7 3.8	53,440 46,946	3,273 2,789	$1,403 \\ 1,258$	28.6 29.6	1,004 $1,362$	53.8 66.4	4,958 5,938	16.3 16.3	88.7 99.4
Region	Chic., Milw., St. P. & Pac 1949 3 1948 2	2,521 3,081	27,474 34,801	59,995 57,882	1.9 2.1	39,089 36,740	2,363 $2,271$	1,062 1,056	30.7 31.4	727 774	36.4 36.8	3,977 4,261	16.6 16.3	78.5 83.6
ern	Chic., St. P., Minn. & Omana 1949	1,032	5,766 7,303	6,798 8,427	5.3 6.5	24,226 24,549	1,758 1,852	772 838	28.2	588 646	29.4 30.5	2,528 3,282	13.9 13.7	55.9 71.3
West	1948 1	4,884 4,591 4,745	492 491 15,635	15,376 15,082 40,380	4.0 3.4	91,070 88,570	5,665 5,266	3,412 3,156 1,597		1,098 1,093 1,148	35.7 38.1	29,110 28,818	16.7 17.3	153.0 137.4
Northwes	1948 2	2,591 7,801	19,739	42,330 13,861	3.2 3.3 7.0	52,205 47,886 37,910	3,173 3,005 2,092	1,504 978	36.5 31.4	1,113 882	47.1 46.2 42.8	5,791 5,597 2,926	16.5 16.0 18.2	74.5 73.8 106.0
Z	1948	7,095 1,149	9,166	16,261 33,722	7.9 6.8	36,305 46,517	2,104 2,735	1,019 1,286	31.7 32.2	811 945	36.7 42.4	3,226 4,890	17.4 17.1	105.9 74.0
	1948 18		17,326	35,620 88,893	5.0	46,069 54,405	2,654 2,666	1,280	32.2	902	39.4 58.2	4,731 6,722	17.5 20.5	70.6 107.8
rion	G. C. & S. F. and P. & S. F.) 1948 47	7,232 0,014	37,431	84,663 41,818	5.4 4.8	50,692 51,770	2,533 2,778	1,011 1,274	27.0	1,189 1.094	67.3 52.7	7,518 <sup>4</sup> 5,180	20.1 18.7	119.9 72.2
Region	1948 15	5,699 4,046	24,504	40,203 35,673	4.3	51,058 41,678	2,887 2,292	1,330 985	32.4 30.0	1,278	61.7 52.1	6,152 4,488	17.8 18.3	82.4 103.5
Western	Denver & R. G. Wn	1,415 8,622	26,970. 4,460	38,385 13,082	4.7	40,977 42,499	2,260 2,405	969 1,193	30.5	1,037	57.0 43.2	5,010 5,575	18.2 17.9	113.3 72.7
Wes	Southern Pacific	7,647 7,244	41,407	13,722 68,651	5.0 4.6	39,799 47,379	2,388 2,856	1,202 1,046	26.3	1,023 1,105	$\frac{41.0}{72.2}$	5,903 9,062	16.9 16.8	72.2 103.2
Central	Union Pacific	5,106 5,372	28,423	71,623 58,795	3.5 4.6	47,050 64,709	2,857 2,941	1,133	26.0	1,253	67.8 74.3	9,710 7,647	16.7 22.3	107.9 93.5
S	Western Pacific	2,262	2,134		4.0 12.2	63,068 55,320	2,979 2,773	1,306	29.8	2,029	72.8 89.8	8,183 7,840	21.3 20.1	97.5 73.8
	International-Gt. Northern*1949	2,258 765	3,255 5,971	5,513 6,736	7.6	55,721 42,327	2,672 2,203	992	32.6	955	73.2 45.0	7,757 6,159	21.0 19.5	72.4 96.9
9	Kansas City Southern	495 ,590	6,208 5,583	6,703 7,173	1.6	36,126 66,120	1,937 3,381	1,574		,164		5,994 10,062	18.8 19.6	103.3 119.1
Region	MoKansTexas Lines1949 5	,199 5,162 3,318		7,017 13,085 11,949	3.4 3.6 1.0	69,054 40,154 41,696	3,401 2,154 2,205	936	30.0	1,050	61.9 56.8 76.4	10,183 4,076 4,749	18.9	111.2 98.5 116.4
	Missouri Pacific*1949 20 1948 18	,431	17,301 3	11,949 17,732 10,840	2.3 1.9	47,909 45,076	2,376 2,360	1,007	29.5	1,146	62.6 63.9	6,054 7,092	20.3	110.4 101.8 111.6
reste	Texas & Pacific	,137 ,574	5,406	7,543 9,748	4.8	51,837 44,116	2,373 2,233	937	27.0	,306	76.5 92.3	5,492 8,578	22.0	93.8 147.4
Southwestern	St. Louis-San Francisco1949 13 1948 8	,392 ,867	10,576 2 14,339 2	3,968	3.0 2.6 2.5	38,803 35,319	2,133 1,741	933 753	30.3 30.0	857 ,046	44.6 55.5	4,365 4,876	18.2 20.4	70.9 99.2
So	1948 1	,039 ,621	4,670 5,907	7,528	2.3	46,392 48,657	2,429 2,496	1,116	28.0	,816 ,930	96.2 98.0	7,645 9,093	19.1 19.5	111.6 130.8
	1948 4,			1,890 0,859	3.1	40,367 36,891	2,114 1,888	888 838			57.3 59.3	5,158 5,951	19.3 19.7	108.8 134.7
*D	port of trustee or trustees													

<sup>\*</sup>Report of trustee or trustees.
†The G. M. & O.'s gross ton-miles per train-hour for April, 1949, 57,463, were incorrectly reported in the Railway Age of July 16, page 75, as 37,463.
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## GENERAL NEWS

## More Study Urged

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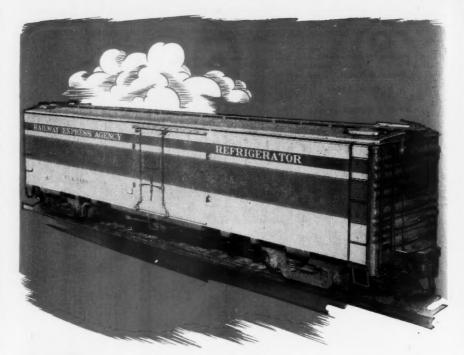
tions from Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Patterson denied that enactment of the bill's original version would put the I.C.C. "into the business of running the railroads."

Representative Beckworth, Democrat of Texas, who was chairman of the subcommittee which proposed the toneddown version, questioned Commissioner Patterson with respect to testimony the latter gave before the subcommittee to the effect that operating rules are not now enforced on some railroads. The commissioner recalled the testimony, and said it was his view that better observance would result if the carriers were required to file their operating rules, because they would then know that there was a "policeman" on hand. As to Mr. Patterson's contention that the limited rules authority would not apply on about half of the mileage, Mr. Beckworth suggested that train-operating rules "in connection with" telegraph and telephone installations might be prescribed for non-signaled lines where the telegraph and telephone are used. Mr. Patterson hadn't thought the rules provisions would apply to such lines, but he conceded that all mileage would be covered if they did.

#### No Penalty for Employee Rule Violators

Noting that the bill provides for the imposition of fines on railroads for failure to observe rules, Representative O'Hara, Republican of Minnesota, asked Mr. Patterson if that provision should be extended to employees. missioner did not answer directly, but referred to that part of his testimony before the subcommittee which included statements to the effect that "laxity of observance" usually results from "laxity of enforcement"-an employee "usually does what the boss wants." Mr. O'Hara then asked if the commissioner believed that there is a "flagrant practice" on the part of the railroads to violate rules or permit violations. Mr. Patterson replied in the negative, adding that the railroads as a whole and "many individual roads" have "adequate" rules for safe operation.

Representative Hale, Republican of Maine, then took up the questioning, asking first if the foregoing answer meant that some roads do not have safe rules. Mr. Patterson replied that commission investigations have disclosed cases where rules are not adequate for safe operation. Mr. Hale then wanted to know if the commission did anything in such cases. Mr. Patterson told him that it could only use its "moral in-fluence" since it lacks power over rules. Representative Harris, Democrat of Arkansas, was the next questioner, and the replies he received from Mr. Patterson prompted him to observe that the commissioner was contending that the commission "should have complete control over operations of the railroad industry."

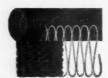


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Mr. Patterson said he'd agree with that statement if it were modified to say "complete control over safety of operations."

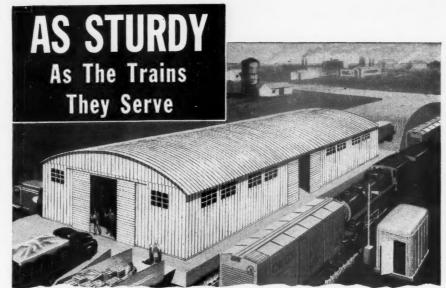
Representative Rogers, Democrat of Florida, asked if the commission would have any financial responsibility for injuries or damages resulting from an accident caused by operations under a "bad" rule it had prescribed. Mr. Patterson replied that the commission would be in the same position that it now is with respect to existing safety laws. And Chairman Crosser broke in to observe that "some prosecutors have sent men wrongfully to their deaths, but that wouldn't be a good reason to abolish prosecutors."

By persistent questioning which called for specific evidence in support of the charge that some roads do not now have adequate rules for safe operation, Representative Heselton, Republican of Massachusetts, drew from Mr. Patterson an admission that the commissioner's earlier statement that "10 per cent" were in that class was "arbitrary." It might only be "one per cent" or "one-half of one per cent," the commissioner said.

Mr. Heselton's first questions asked whether the "10 per cent" meant that 10 per cent of the roads had unsafe operating rules or 10 per cent of the mileage of the industry as a whole. Mr. Patterson said that he didn't mean either when he used the "arbitrary" figure of 10 per cent, but if he had to construe it, he would say 10 per cent of the mileage. Then followed the congressman's questions which led up to the admission that the mileage involved might only be "one-half of one per cent." The admission came as Mr. Heselton insisted on having furnished at least one instance of an inadequate "current" operating rule. Mr. Patterson said that such information could not be furnished as to current rules because the "inadequacy" of rules is revealed only after an accident. Mr. Heselton then asked if it would be "fair" to say that "so far as you know there is no carrier with unsafe rules." Mr. Patterson's reply was that "our experience is different."

Messrs. Hale and Heselton indicated by other questions that, while the com-mission now does not have statutory authority to prescribe operating rules for individual roads, it could inform itself as to what rules are in effect and how they compare with the so-called standard code recommended by the A.A.R. and then, where it considers such action required, could "advise" any railroad that its rules are in its opinion not all as "rigorous" as they should be. Commissioner Patterson agreed that the commission could examine the rules in effect on the various roads, but he insisted that after they were reviewed by the commission it "couldn't do anything about it," under the present law, if it thought a change in rules desirable in the interest of safety.

Representative Wolverton again took up the questioning, asking particularly what existing conditions, in Commissioner Patterson's opinion, require a law as



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broad in its application as that proposed. The reply was to the effect that a reduction in the number of train accidents and fatalities could be brought about if the commission had authority to "police" railroad operating rules. After a discussion of some specific rules which Mr. Patterson described as "deficient," Mr. Wolverton remarked that examination of a group of reports of accident investigations led him to the conclusion that many railroad accidents were the result, not of improper rules, but of failure to

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observe the rules in effect. He then brought up again the question whether there should be any provision in the bill to subject an employee to a fine or other penalty for failure to obey a rule, to which Mr. Patterson replied that the carriers were held responsible since it is their obligation to enforce the rules. Under further questioning he said that it might be proper to provide penalties to apply to an employee who "knowingly" violates a rule. In concluding, the commissioner said that it might be de-

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sirable, in the light of the testimony and the views of the commission's majority, to deal with the proposed safety legislation "in two bites," leaving the extension of the commission's authority to the wider field of railroad operations to a separate bill for further consideration.

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The only other member of the commission to appear before the committee was Commissioner Johnson. He said that he was in "full agreement" with the position taken by the commission majority and stated by Dr. Splawn. "General safety" is a "very extensive" subject which should not be treated as a "byproduct" of signaling and communications, Colonel Johnson continued, adding that it would be "entitled to a separate section and many, many paragraphs.' The original version of the bill, in his opinion, would require the commission to "scrutinize every mile" of railroad and to establish for that purpose a bu-reau "bigger than any it now has." In closing his brief statement Colonel Johnson warned that a Congress which passes the unrestricted bill should be prepared to make "some additional appropriations which wouldn't be small."

In questioning Colonel Johnson, Mr. Wolverton expressed concern because testimony indicated an "underlying fear" that the bill could be interpreted as giving the commission authority to take over the managerial function to an extent that might be "disastrous," and certainly would entail great expense. He asked who prepared the bill which contained what Colonel Johnson had just called "a few inconspicuous words" that were being interpreted as giving the commission this wide authority. missioner Patterson explained that the bill had been prepared in his office, by him and members of his staff, in consultation with others, and had been introduced in the previous Congress for the commission by Mr. Wolverton, then chairman of the committee. It was reintroduced in the present Congress in identical language by the committee's present chairman.

#### Bill "Not Ripe for Action"

The hearings concluded with a brief statement by Mr. Fort, the tenor of which has already been indicated. All the testimony had shown, he said, that the proposed legislation is "not ripe for The original bill, he declared. action." was not drawn in a straightforward, candid manner, and even Dr. Splawn, chairman of the commission's legislative committee, had confessed he did not know the extent of the commission's authority over railroad operations under the bill, even as amended. The proponents of the measure, said the A.A.R. vice-president, "have not made a case" in their testimony to the committee.

The railroads have attained a new all-time peak in the safety of their train operations, said Mr. Fort, and under such circumstances he questioned the necessity of "rushing in, ill prepared," to legislate about a matter that might have such far-reaching consequences.

#### Selected Income and Balance-Sheet Items of Class I Steam Railways

Compiled from 128 reports (Form 1BS) representing 132 steam railways. (SWITCHING AND TERMINAL COMPANIES NOT INCLUDED)

For the month of April 1949

	Income Items	1949	1948	1949	1948
1 7	Net railway operating income	\$64,763,030	\$53,104,074	\$193,178,916	\$195,750,651
		15,932,521			
3.	Other income		16,381,775	66,393,712	73,409,512
3.	Total income	80,695,551	69,485,849	259,572,628	269,160,163
4. 1	Miscellaneous deductions from				
	income	3,271,650	3,664,123	13,110,130	14,867,008
5.	Income available for fixed charges.	77,423,901	65,821,726	246,462,498	254,293,155
	Fixed charges:	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	00,022,120	210,102,100	203,270,200
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	equipment	9,417,613	10,853,542	36,788,540	42,047,108
	6-02. Interest deductions 1 6-03. Other deductions	24,851,973	24,348,617	98,592,731 742,849	97,147,654 567,903
	6–03. Other deductions	193,462	142,712	742,849	567.903
	6-04. Total fixed charges	34,463,048	35,344,871	136,124,120	139,762,665
7.	Income after fixed charges	42,960,853	30,476,855	110,338,378	114,530,490
9 6	Other deductions	2,971,984		10,000,010	10 716 755
0. 0	Pr.	2,911,904	3,211,368	12,286,945	12,716,755
9.	Net income	39,988,869	27,265,487	98,051,433	101,813,735
10. I	Depreciation (Way and structures				
	and Equipment)	33,137,131	30,773,529	131,683,350	121,536,069
11. A	mortization of defense projects	1,374,616	1,366,669	5,480,883	5,790,349
19 E	Federal income taxes	25,478,684	20,205,989	87,241,737	91,543,591
12. F	euerai income taxes	23,410,004	20,205,989	81,241,131	91,545,591
15, 1	Dividend appropriations:				
	13-01. On common stock	2,968,177	2,956,177	49,340,419	42,344,427
	13-02. On preferred stock	529,233	1,204,088	23,066,837	19,170,481
F	Ratio of income to fixed charges				
	(Item 5 ÷6-04)	2.25	1.86	1.81	1.82
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				Balance at the	end of April
	Selected Expenditure and Asset I	tems		1949	1948
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17. E	Expenditures (gross) for additions and	betterments—F	load	\$100,346,582	\$89,815,272
18. E	Expenditures (gross) for additions and	betterments—F	Equipment	369,072,935	275,018,015
19. I	nvestments in stocks, bonds, etc., o	ther than those	of affiliated		
	companies (Total, Account 707)			517,760,986	542,284,774
20 0	Other unadjusted debits		,	133,078,463	159,771,749
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21. 0	Cash Cemporary cash investments			807,990,327	798,701,970
22. 1	emporary cash investments			908,490,597	923,269,391
23. S	pecial deposits			125,156,196	137,416,841
24. L	oans and bills receivable			773,485	12,632,546
25. T	raffic and car-service balances—Dr			54,354,494	50 079 667
96 N	Net balance receivable from agents and	l conductors		116,492,642	50,079,667 122,015,902
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21. 1	discellaneous accounts receivable			300,127,701 885,399,186	348,904,286
28. A	Materials and supplies			885,399,186	801,886,556
29. 11	nterest and dividends receivable			13,614,029	18,250,329
30. A	ocrued accounts receivable			144,371,810	165,297,550
31. 0	Other current assets			38,750,770	40,427,833
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32.	Total current assets (items 21 to 3	1)		3,395,521,237	3,418,882,871
	Selected Liability Items			1949	1948
40 E					
40. F	unded debt maturing within 6 months oans and bills payable a	5 *		\$165,027,192	\$160,041,077
41. L	oans and bills payable 3			3,159,150	3,175,000
42. T	raffic and car-service balances-Cr			76,170,655	85,055,741
43. A	udited accounts and wages payable			516,388,866	489,873,976
AA N	fiscellaneous accounts payable			200,000,000	909,013,910
45 T-	inscending accounts payable			222,008,331	232,862,764
45. II	nterest matured unpaid			48,288,707	46,738,288
46. D	ividends matured unpaid			4,087,984	4,859,677
47. U	nmatured interest accrued			63,438,782	60,320,647
48. U	nmatured interest accruednmatured dividends declared			27.234.156	18,317,468
49 A	ccrued accounts payable			27,234,156 197,203,515	103 020 500
50 T	avec accounts payanto			750,074,510	193,939,588
50. 1	axes accrued			750,874,519	688,738,785
51. 0	ther current liabilities	***********	*******	73,029,224	91,498,035
52.	Total current liabilities (items 41 t	o 51)		1,981,883,889	1,915,379,969
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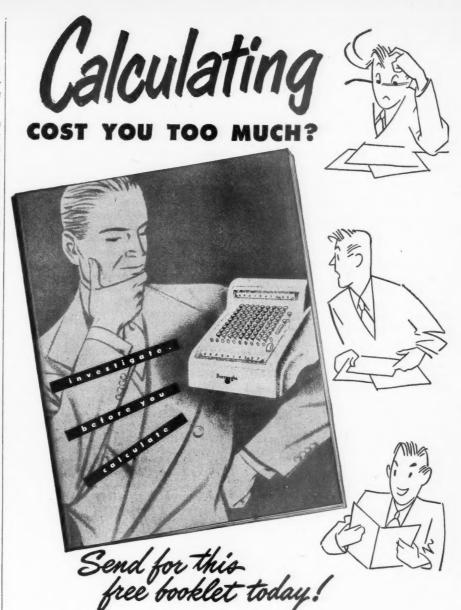
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Milton Hannibal Smith—His Life and Achievements. Reprint of an address by James J. Donohue, general attorney, Louisville & Nashville, before the Filson Club, Louisville, Ky. 16 pages. Published by Mr. Donohue, 908 West Broadway, Louisville 1.

Mr. Donohue, the only officer of the L. & N. now in service "who had the privilege of serving through 35 of the 39 years of Mr. Smith's tenure as chief executive officer" of that company, reviews in his address the career and accomplishments of one of America's greatest railroad executives. His talk, and the personal reminiscences which it contains, are of special interest because there is comparatively little other material available concerning Mr. Smith and his share in building America's present-day rail transportation system.

Progress on the French National Railways. 28 pages, illustrations, diagrams. Available from the French National Railroads, 610 Fifth ave., New York 20. Free.

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Transportation Developments in the Republic of the Philippines in 1948, by E. D. Hester. 4 pages. Issued by the Office of International Trade, United States Department of Commerce. Available from the Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. 5 cents.

Covers developments in highway, railroad and air transportation and shipping.

Canada Produces, prepared by the Canadian Foreign Trade Service, Department of Trade and Commerce, 48 pages, illustrations, charts. Available upon request on business letterhead from the Canadian Trade Commissioner, Room 406, 620 Fifth ave., New York 20.

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The Railways of Germany During the Period 1939-1945, by H. Holcroft, 72 pages, illustrations. Published for the British Intelligence Objectives Sub-Committee by His Majesty's Stationery Office. Available from the British Information Services, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20. \$1.

This publication is a documentary report made by field teams on visits in Germany covering civil, mechanical and electrical engineering practices on the German railways during the war period. The report, say the compilers, corrects any impressions which may have been held that the Nazi government tended to neglect the railways in order to develop the autobahn (superhighways). However, they point out that departures from pre-war standards were more toward meeting shortages of material and skilled labor than concerned with technical progress. A number of plates and diagrams augment the text in describing wartime engineering standards on the German state railways.

Trends, 1949. 49 pages. Published by the American Trucking Associations, Inc., 1424 16th st., N.W., Washington 6, D. C. Free.

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Applications of Electricity to Railways, 1948. Prepared by Edmund A. Freeman, 39 pages. Published by the Library, Bureau of Railway Economics, Association of American Railroads, Transportation Building. Washington 6, D. C. Free.

A bibliography of periodical articles on railroad electrification, Diesel-electric and electric locomotives, and electrical apparatus and equipment appearing in a select list of periodicals. An appendix contains bibliographies on communications and signaling.

History of Colorado Railroads, by Herbert O. Brayer, State Archivist, State Museum, Denver, Colo.

Originally issued as Chapter XXIV of "Colorado and Its People," this chapter, dealing with the railroads of Colorado, has been reprinted as a separate pamphlet.

#### PERIODICAL ARTICLE

Railroads in the United States, by Robert S. Henry. Transport and Communications Review April-June, 1949, pp. 16-31. Published by the Transport and Communications Division, Department of Economic Affairs, United Nations. Available from In-ternational Documents Service, Columbia University Press, 2960 Broadway, New York 27. 50 cents.

Col. Henry presents a short, concise outline of United States railroads and their operations. He covers mileage, gage, consolidation, regulation, organization, wages and working conditions, freight and passenger traffic, rates and fares, equip-ment, safety, operating efficiency, research, and financial results. Anyone interested in a bird's-eye view of American railroads will find his article most helpful.

Modern Railroad Structures, by C. P. Disney and R. F. Legget, 213 pages, illustrations, drawings. Published by the McGraw-Hill Book Company, 330 W. 42nd st., New York 18. \$5.

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Transport and Communications Review, Vol. II, No. 1, January-March, 1949. Published by the Transport and Communications Division, Department of Economic Af-fairs, United Nations. Available from the International Documents Service, Columbia University Press, 2960 Broadway, New York 72. Single copies, 50 cents.

Contains several articles of interest to railroad people, on the Berne Conventions and the Central Office for International Railway Transport; the new freight rates of the French National Railways; the transport situation in Poland; and railway traffic statistics, 1937, 1947, 1948. This latter article is composed primarily of two tables; one containing comparative freight traffic statistics for 37 countries for which complete figures were available, and the other containing similar statistics for a number of additional countries for which complete statistics were not available. Any one interested in foreign railway statistics will be particularly interested in the accompanying appendix which contains the sources for these figures.

#### TRADE PUBLICATIONS

Steel Making in America, by Douglas A. Fisher. 101 pages, illustrations. Published by the United States Steel Corporation, 71 Broadway, New York 6.

Describes, in simple terms, the manufacture of steel in the United States from raw materials through finished steel products ready for shipment from the mills. A brief history of the iron and steel industry from earliest times to the present is also included. This booklet was prepared and published primarily for school students in response to thousands of requests received from pupils for information about steel making, but it will be of interest also to adult laymen who desire to further their knowledge of the manufacture of steel.

Portable Conveyors. 36 pages, illustra-tions. Published by the J. C. Corrigan Company, 41 Norwood st., Boston 22, Mass.

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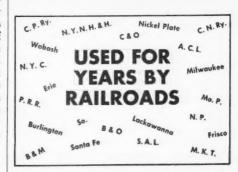
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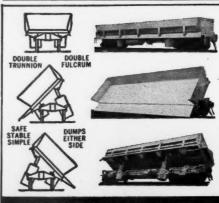
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